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ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

5, text line 17, add a hyphen after Mrigathanikahara. " footnote 19. The suggestion that Gamgadharêna was intended, may be cancelled; 'Gayâdhara' occurs, as a proper name, in Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. pp. 40, 45, verse 17, line 10 from below, for Alamanda, read Alamanda. 21, ,, 4, for the keeper of records, read the goldsmith. 11. The inscriptions of the Ranganayaka temple at Nellore show that Vikramasimhapura is an ancient surname of the town of Nellûr (Nellore). As Bitragunta is said to have been 3 yôjanas distant from it (see page 33, verse 19), the length of the yojana at the time of the Bitragunta grant must have been $25: 3 = 8\frac{1}{3}$ miles. 35, No. 5, paragraph 2. Mr. Venkayya informs the Editor that the goddess of the Mårgasahåyesvara temple at Virinchipuram in the Vellore tåluka of the North Arcot district is now called Marakatavalli, and accordingly proposes to identify Maratakanagara (for Marakatanagara) with Virinchipuram itself. 37, text line 1, for भूयस, read भूयसे. " 4, " ânganâ-patîyamâna, read ângan-â(ô)pagîyamâna. 52, translation, paragraph 3, line 5, read whose pure fame is being sung by the women of the Kinnaras. Table opposite page 54, No. (6), line 2, for A.D. 888-76, read A.D. 888. Page 59, line 4, for Vanapalli, read Vanapalli. 67, lines 1 and 2, for Kottayam, read Kôttayam. 84, text line 10, for प्रस्युक्तितं, read प्रस्युक्तितं 88, footnote 1, ,, व्ययुङ्क, read व्ययुङ्क. 7, ,, sq, read sq. 1, ,, बह ,, बेह. 103, line 13, for Paithan, read Paithan. 117, clause 6, line 5, for 1387, read 1386-87. 119, line 10, for Pramadin, read Pramathin. 121, text line 32, after तिखन् add a footnote: - Read तिखंबतु. 122, " " 51, " प्रमादिनि add a footnote:— Read प्रमायिनि. " 79, " [रव]त् add a footnote:—Read °रवदस्°. 125, line 6 from below, for Pramadin, read Pramathin. " Kôtiśârâdhya, read Kôtiśârâdhya. 126, ,, 8 ,, ,, " 80, 3, and 20, read 8, 3, and 2. 130, ,, 10 ,, " 133, text line 26, for 80 read 8. " " 27, cancel the cipher after 20. 134, line 16 from below, for 100 80 3, read 100 8 3. cancel the cipher after 20. ,, 14 ,, footnote 3, cancel the words "and in an inscription" to the end of the note.

Professor Kielhorn has shown that the actual reading of the Sirpur inscription is not Savara, but Saéadhara; see Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 179, and p. 180,

note 7.

135, line 1, for Kharoshtri, read Kharoshthi.

- Page 151, line 2. The name Mosalimadû-Vîrama has to be derived from Musalimadugu, a fortress in the Kurnool district; see the *Madras Journal of Literature and Science* for 1881, p. 231, and the *Madras Manual of Administration*, Vol. III. p. 601.
 - " text line 18. Mr. R. Narasimhacharya, Kanarese Translator to the Government of Mysore, suggested to the Editor to write Tamcha-rājyam as one word and to translate it by "the kingdom of Tanjore" (Tanjai or Tanjāvūr in Tamil).
 - " 153, text line 46, for Vâņi, read Vâņî.
 - " 161, Table, last line, for 766-67, read 776-77.
 - " 165, line 1, and page 168, line 19, for Rajasimha, read Prithivîpati II.
 - " 178, text line 26, for prâyâ(yô)ktri, read prayâ(yô)ktri.
 - " 179, " " 34, " Saigott, read Saigott.
 - " 181, " " 80, " nripânâm, read nripânâm.
 - " 182, (L. 36.), for Nîtimarga, read Nîtimârga.
- " 186, line 9, for Râjasimha, read Prithivîpati II.
- " 190, text line 18, for यसवंविधा, read यसौवंविधा.
- ,, 191, ,, ,, 47, after वादान add a footnote :—Read वादाश्विगाया°.
- " 194, " " 124, for निरमना, read निर्मना.
- ,, ,, ,, ,, 137, ,, सनीय- ,, सुनीय-.
- ,, 197, ,, ,, 213, ,, सघसनीय ,, संघसनीय
- , 203, footnote 8, read Pânini, ii. 4, 23.
- or adapa-vala means (1) 'a man who carries his master's betel-nut pouch, and (2) 'a barber.' Another form of the same word appears to be hadapadala, which occurs in two Bâdâmi inscriptions of Sadâsivarâya; Ind. Ant. Vol. X. pp. 64 and 67.
- " line 26 f. Regarding Ayyana-singa, 'the lion of (his) father,' and similar surnames, see Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 276 f.
- " 214, line 24, and page 215, line 1, for Tîravâdabîda, read the camp (bîdu) of Tîravâda. Table opposite page 230, under "Hammâ," for Bhillama II., read Bhillama III.
- Page 233, text line 28, for visu(su)dhdhano, read visu(su)ddhano.
 - " 234, " " 39, " vidâru(ra)n, read vidâru(ra)ņ.
 - ,, 236, line 12 f., for with the delight of pleasing conversations, read with the pleasure of an agreeable interchange of communications.
 - , 238, line 8 from below, for Kandanavôli, read Kandanavôlu.
 - , ", " 4 " ", Tâlikôṭa, read Tâļikôṭ.

Table opposite page 238, No. 3, for Råghadeva, read Råghavadeva.

Page 240, line 19, for Timm-arasu, read Timm-arasa.

- ", ", 8 from below, for Nainarbhatta, read Nainarbhatta.
- ., 243, footnote 8, for रच, read र्षे.
- " 254, line 2, for of the fort of Chaurâsi, read of eighty-four (chaurâsi in Hindûstânî) fortresses.
- " 256, line 1 from below, for Alvar, read Alvar.
- " 257, " 11. Śrîni is a familiar abbreviation of Śrînivâsa; at present Śîni or Śînu are used in the same manner.
- " 263, footnote 4. Professor Leumann derives pravani from pra+vanij and translates it by 'retail dealer,' or perhaps 'second-hand dealer.'
- " 264, line 13, for Gôpâladêvî, read Gôpâlîdêvî.
- ,, 290, text line 45, for मुखमे, read मुखमे.
- 315, paragraph 2, line 2. Mr. R. S. Joshi informs the Editor that the animal drawn at the top of the slab is not a tiger, but a bull.
- " 335, line 1, for Pânini, read Patamjali.

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No. 1.— PATTADAKAL PILLAR INSCRIPTION OF THE TIME OF KIRTIVARMAN II.

By J. F. FLEET, I.C.S., PH.D., C.I.E.

THE existence of this inscription appears to have been first made known by Dr. Burgess in his reports of the Archwological Survey of Western India, Vol. I. p. 32 (published in 1874). Its contents were first brought to notice in 1881, by myself, in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. X. p. 168; the estampages that I had then made, however, did not enable me to read it with any completeness beyond line 11. In March, 1882, I received some ink-impressions from Mr. H. Cousens: but they, again, did not enable me to deal with the record fully. I edit it now from some better ink-impressions and some estampages, which were made under my own direction in March, 1891.

Paṭṭadakal is a village about eight miles to the east by north of Bâdâmi, the chief town of the Bâdâmi Tâlukâ or subdivision in the Bijâpur District, Bombay Presidency. And the inscription is on a monolith pillar, apparently of red sandstone, which stands in the house of Parappa Pûjârî, on the north of the enclosure of the temple that is now known by the name of Virûpâksha. The pillar is called Lakshmî-kambha, or 'the pillar of (the goddess) Lakshmî,'— a name which betrays total ignorance of its real character and origin; and it is worshipped as a god.

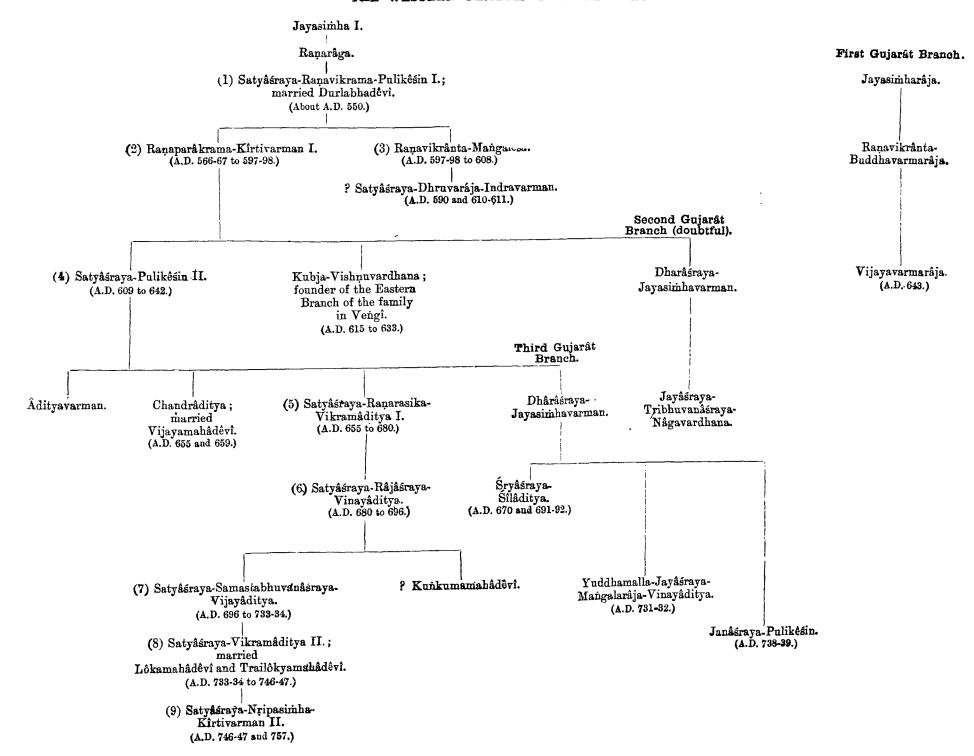
The upper part of the pillar is octagonal; and this part contains the inscription which I edit, and which is presented in two copies. One copy of it is in twenty-five lines, in the local-characters of the period to which the record refers itself, lying on the north-west, west, south-west, and south faces: here, the writing covers a space of about 2'8" broad by 3' 10" high; and the size of the letters, which are very well formed and boldly engraved, varies from about $\frac{3}{4}$ " to $1\frac{5}{8}$ ". The other copy is in twenty-eight lines, in Någarî characters, lying on the east, north-east, and north faces: here the writing covers a space of about 2'0" broad by 3' 10" high; and the size of the letters varies from about $\frac{3}{4}$ " to $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". These Någarî characters are intermediate in type between those of the Bôdh-Gayâ inscription of Mahânâman of A.D. 517 or 583 (Gupta Inscriptions, p. 276, Plate xli.), and those of the Sâmângad copper-plate grant of Khadgâvalôka-Dantidurga of A.D. 753-54 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 110, Plate); but they

¹ The south-east face is blank, except where it was utilised, near the bottom, to insert a passage that had been carelessly omitted in the Någari text (see page 6 below, note 2).

approximate more closely to the characters of the Bôdh-Gayâ inscription than to those of the Sâmângad grant: for instance, the initial a is exactly like the initial a of the Bôdh-Gaya inscription (allowing, of course, for the mark which turns a into a), whereas the initial a of the Sâmângad grant is a very different letter; the p, m, s, and y follow the Bôdh-Gayâ inscription, in not having the fully developed top line which appears in the Sâmângad grant; and the k, p, and v have the pointed forms of the Bodh-Gaya inscription: on the other hand,— except perhaps in acharya, line 23,- in the conjunct letter ry, the r is formed above the line of writing, as in the Samangad grant, and not on it, as in the Bodh-Gaya inscription. The peculiarities of the characters are evidently due to the Brâhman from Northern India, for whom the pillar was set up; and the comparative results suggest that the Nagari alphabet which is exhibited in the Sâmângad grant, was developed in Central and Southern India more quickly than in Northern India. It should also be noted that such of the letters of the present Nagari record as were fully executed in what was evidently the intended style, and have been well preserved, show, wherever the form of the letter permits of it, a well-marked triangular top, in which the apex of the triangle points downwards, and the centre of it is left in relief in the middle of the three strokes by which the top is formed: this is discernible in k, ch, j, t, d, n, p, bh, m, y, r, l, v, s, sh, s, and h; the shapes of q, \vec{n} , \vec{n} , t, n, and dh, do not permit of it; in th it is doubtful. It may also be mentioned that this record and the Sâmângad grant, which is six months earlier in actual date, give the earliest instances, as yet obtained, of the use of Nâgarî characters in Western India. My text of the inscription is put together from the two copies. Owing to the rough treatment that the pillar has received at the hands of its worshippers, each copy of the inscription is more or less damaged: but they mostly supply each other's deficiencies; and the whole text is decipherable, without any doubtful points, except three aksharas at the end of line 14, two in line 18, two in line 19, four in line 20, and thirteen or fourteen in line 24, and practically the whole of line 25. As a matter of fact, as far as the end of line 14, the text can be read almost entirely in the version in the local characters, without the aid of the other at all; from that point, however, the Nagari version, though by no means, on the whole, the better preserved of the two, becomes of more and more use in respect of the last quarter of each successive line of the version in the local characters, which is the one followed by me for the arrangement of the lines in my Text .-- The language is Sanskrit. And, except for an opening verse in praise of Siva and Parvati, under the names of Hara and Gauri, the whole record is in prose. — In respect of orthography, the only points that call for notice here are (1) a confusion, in both versions, between ri and ri; thus, the Nagari version, though usually correct, gives, mistakenly, priyah, line 8, priya, lines 10 and 12, trisala, line 21, trimeabhir, line 21, and trimsan, line 22; and the other version, though correct in respect of prithivi, line 13. and grihîtâni, line 22, wrongly gives prithivî, lines 6 and 9, and krita, line 19, and, on the other hand, priya, line 12; (2) the use of v for b, in the Nagari version, in vahu-pariohumvita, line 1. and velvalla, line 20, and, in both versions, in vrahma, line 21; (3) the absence of the l in the Någarî version; (4) the omission, in the Någarî version, to double y after r, all through; (5) the doubling of t before τ , for the most part uniformly in both versions, in puttrak, line 8, pauttrêna, line 15, puttrêna, line 16, attra, line 18, and ttri, lines 19 and 21, though the same does not occur in sundry other places; and (6), in the Nagari version, the doubling of dh, by d, in payoudharô, line 1, and gayaddharêna, line 19, and in viddhrita, line 2, where it is due to the following ri.

The inscription belongs to the time of the Western Chalukya king Kîrtivarman II.1 It mentions first his grandfather, Vijayâditya, who, it tells us, erected a great stone temple

¹ I take this opportunity of publishing a revised table of the dynasty of the Western Chalukyas of Bådåmi. The numerals prefixed to certain names indicate the members of the family who actually reigned, and the order in which they succeeded each other.



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of the god Siva, under the name of Vijayêśvara. This temple is now known by the name of Samgamêsvara; but there is no question as to its identity: there are two short inscriptions on structural parts of it, which give the name of the god as Vijayêśvara (Ind. Ant. Vol. X. p. 170); and the same name remained in use at any rate till A.D. 1162 (Jour. Bo. Br. R. As. Soc. Vol. XI. p. 273). It then mentions Vijayâditya's son, Vikramâditya II., whom it describes as having bruised the town of Kâñchî; and it tells us that his Mahâdêvî or queen-consort, Lôkamahâdêvî, who belonged to the race of the Haihayas, i.e. the Kalachuris, erected a great stone temple of the god Siva, under the name of Lôkêsvara. This temple, again, still exists, but is now known by the name of Virûpâksha; the identity is established by records on structural parts of it, which give its name as Lôkêśvara, and speak of it as the temple of Lôkamahâdêvî (Ind. Ant. Vol. X. pp. 165, 167, and Vol. XI. p. 124): it stands on the south-east of the temple of Vijayêśvara-(Samgamêśvara). The record then mentions a Rájñî, or queen, of Vikramâditya II., named Trailôkyamahâdêvî, who was the uterine younger sister of Lôkamahâdêvî, and was the mother of Vikramâditya's son and successor, Kîrtivarman II.; and it tells us that she erected a great stone temple of Siva under the name of Trailôkyêśvara. This temple, which must have stood somewhere on the north-east of the temple of Lôkêśvara-(Virûpâksha), is not now in existence, I think.2 The inscription then proceeds to record that the pillar itself, stamped with the mark of the trisula, or trident, which is the weapon of Siva, was set up, in the middle of these three shrines, by a sculptor named Subhadêva, for an Achârya named Jñânasiva, who had come from the Mṛigathaṇikâhâra vishaya on the north bank of the Ganges; and it concludes by recording certain grants.

As regards the date, the inscription refers itself to the reign of Kîrtivarman II., by speaking of him with the paramount titles. And further, though it does not quote the year of the Śaka era or the regnal year, it gives details which enable us to place it exactly. The grants were made, or one of them was made, on the occasion of a total eclipse of the sun, on the new-moon tithi of the month Śrâvaṇa; and the English date is the 25th June, A.D. 754: on this day, which corresponds to the new-moon day of the first pūrnimānta Śrâvaṇa of Śaka-Samvat 677 current, there was a total eclipse of the sun, which was visible right across India.³

Immediately below the above duplicate inscription, the pillar is square. Here, on the south face, there are remains of five or more lines, of about twenty letters each, in the same local characters, and, on the east face, remains of eight lines of about twenty letters each, in Nagari characters, of the same type: these two records, again, are duplicates; but all that can be made out is that the inscription registers a grant of land, purchased with gadyānakas of gold, by the son of a Bhatta named Pulivarman, and that it probably speaks of Paṭṭadakal by its ancient name of Kisuvoļal or Kisuvoļal. And on the west face there are remains of eleven or twelve lines, of about twenty letters each, in the same local characters: but, the north face being apparently quite blank, this record was not duplicated in Nagari; and it is so much damaged that nothing intelligible can be made out, except that, in the fifth line, Badami is perhaps mentioned as Vatapi.

¹ The word used is vimardana, which may mean either 'bruising' or 'destroying.' But the Wokkalêri grant says that, though he entered Kânchî, he did not destroy it (avinasya pravisya; Ind. Ant. Vol. VIII. p. 28, and South-Ind. Insers. Vol. I. p. 146).

² Unless, perhaps, it is the temple, partly of Northern and partly of Drâvidian style, which Dr. Burgess (loc. cit. p. 33) describes as standing close on the north side of the temple of Vijayêśvara-(Samgamêśvara). But, then, its position does not give the triangle that is required in connection with the description of the erection of the pillar (see the Text, and page 5 below, note 10).

³ In this year, Śrâvana was intercalary.— For the eclipse see von Oppolzer's Canon der Finsternisse, pp. 188, 189, and Plate 94.— For Kîrtivarman II. we have a later date, in A.D. 757, in the eleventh year of his reign (Ind. Ant. Vol. VIII. p. 28). The eclipse that I mention above, answers all possible requirements; and there is no other eclipse that does so, for at least twenty years on either side of it.

TEXT,1

- vâma-bâhu-parichumbita4-vadana-Śivâya []]*] Sa^3 jayatn 1 Ôm Ôm² Nama[h*] payôdharô-
- daśaśatanayana-kiranaali-kula-lôla-lîla6-alakâvali-vidhrita7-karâgra-maṇḍalô8 2 sthalô⁵
- parivarddhita9-raga-ras-ativarddhitô vikasita-pundarika-pratimô Hara-Gauri¹⁰-samgamô ¹¹ sa jayatu [||*]
- 4 Chalukya¹²-vamsa-varddhamâna-Raghur-iva Kaliyugâ(ga)-nisrishta-man[â*]h Sûryya¹⁵sutam=ival4
- śrî-niravadya-vudâra17-Vijayâsâhasa-rasikah 5 dâna-ratahs=sadâl6 Vrikôdaram=iva 16
- 6 ditya-Satyâśraya-śrîpri(pṛi)thivîval
[l*]abha 18-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-b h a ț ț â r a -
- 7 sthâpitô mahâ²0-śaila-prâsâda-śrî-Vijayêśvara-bhaṭṭârakas=tasya dakshiṇa-dig-bhâgê [|*]
- samasta-sâmant23śrî-anivârita 22 priyah²¹ puttrah Vijayadityadevasy=atmajah [a*]nata-pâdayugmah
- 9 Kañchî pura-vimarddana²⁴-śrî-Vikramâditya-Satyâśraya-śrîpri(pri)thivî²⁵vallabha-m a h ârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-
- 1 From the estampages and ink-impressions.— The numbering of the lines follows the version which is in the local characters. All differences between the two versions are shown in the following notes; except that I have not thought it necessary to do more than draw attention here to the point that the Nagari version uses only the ordinary l, and nowhere has l.
 - ² In both versions, the first δm is expressed by a plain symbol, and the second by the word itself in writing.
- ² We have here evidently a verse, in the Akriti group of metres, though the form in which it stands is not correct: the first two padas contain twenty-two feet, and are exactly uniform with each other; the third pada, however, contains twenty-three feet, and matches the preceding two in only the last seven feet; and the fourth prida, though it contains only twenty-two feet, is uniform with the first and second in only the first seven feet. The verse seems to me to have been quoted, with imperfect recollection, from some Saiva poem, similar to the Vaishņava Gita-Govinda. And the third and fourth padas might be put right by adopting some such reading as daśaśataraśmi-pada-paricarddhita-kamala-ras-ativarddhita-vikasita-pundarika-ruchiman sa jayatu Hara-Gauri-samgamah.
 - 4 The Nagari version (line 1) has "vahu-parichumvita.
- ⁵ Read payodhara-sthalo; the following a of ali ought to have been elided, but was retained for the sake of the metre. - The Nagari version (lines 1-2) has payoddharo; the other payadharo.
 - ⁶ The hiatus here, which is in both versions, is intentional, for the sake of the metre.
 - 7 The Nagari version (lines 2-3) has viddhrita.
 - 8 Read "mandalah; samdhi being not proper at the end of the second pada.
 - 9 The Nagari version (line 3) has parivarddhitta.
 - 10 The i of gauri is shortened for the sake of the metre.
 - 11 In the version in local characters, the ga was at first omitted, and then was inserted below the line.
- 12 The Nagari version (line 5) has, either chchaluki, for chaluki; or possibly chuluki, with the subscript u of the first syllable damaged in such a way as to give the appearance of chcha.
 - 13 Here, and all through, in the Någari version y is not doubled after r.
 - 4 Read °suta iva. The Nagari version (lines 5-6) makes the same mistake.
 - 15 Read cratas=sadá; or, as in the Nagari version (line 6), cratah sadá.
 - 16 Read rrikodara iva. The Nagari version (line 6) makes the same mistake.
 - 17 Read "nirarady-oddra. The Nagari version (line 6) has the same peculiarity.
 - 18 The Nagari version (line 7) has "prithivivallabha, correctly.
 - 19 Read obhattarakas = tena.
 - 20 The Nagari version (line 8) has either maha, or mahha.
 - 31 The Nagari version (line 9) has priyah.
 - 22 Read sry-anivaritah. The hiatus, and the omission of the visarga, are in both versions.
 - 11 The Nagari version (line 9) has samaint.
 - 24 The Nagari version (line 10) has "vimarddanah.
 - 15 The Nagari version (line 10) has "prithivi, correctly.

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- 10 bhattarakasya¹ Haihaya-vamśa-sambhûtâ priyâ² mahâdêvî Umâ bhagavat=îva lôka-mâtâyâ³
- 11 sthâpitô mahâ-śaila-prâsâda-śrî-Lôkêśvara-bhaṭṭârakas=tasy=ôttara-dig-bhâgê [|*] Śrî*-Lôkamahâdêvyâ yâḥ 5
- 12 sôdaryyâ kanîyasî bhaginî śrî-Vikramâdityadêvasya pri(pri)yâ⁶ râjñî Svasti Kîrttivarmma-Satyâśraya-
- 13 śrîprithivivallabha-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-bhaṭṭâraka⁷-śrî- **Nṛipasiṅgha** ⁸ **râ ja sya** jananî
- 14 śrî-**Trailôkyamahâdêvyâyâh** ⁹ sthâpitô mahâ-śaila-prâsâda-śrî-Trailôkyêśvara-bhaṭṭâra-kas=tasya [paśchima-di]-¹⁰
- 15 g-bhâgê [|*] ity=êvam=âyatanâmm=madhyê ll Śâṇḍilya-sagôtrêṇa Śivavarddhamâna-rûpa-panttrêṇa Śiva-rûpa-
- 16 puttrêṇa Śubhadêva-rûpêṇa bhûyaḥ Śivaśâsan-âmkaḥl³-bhagavat-pûjya-Payôbhakshipâda-pra-
- 17 śishya-śishyêṇa Jñânaśiv-âchâryyêṇa Gaṁgâyâ uttara-ku(kû)ļê **Mṛigathaṇikâhâra** vishayâd=ih=âgatêna śrî-Vijayêśvara-
- 18 bhattârakasy=âśray-âvasthitêna sthâpitô=yam triśûļa¹³-mudr-âmkô ⁴ svakîy-âyatana- dv[ârê]¹⁵ mahâ-śaila-stambhaḥ [||*] Attra likhita-
- 19 m=idam śâsana[m] praśasti-pûrvva kam [l*] Śrîmat-Kauthuma-ttrisâhasya¹6-vêd-âlam-kri(kri)ta¹7-Śam ¹8-âryya-bhaṭṭa-Gayâddharê[na]¹9
- 20 Vijayaditya-sasanat Belvala Arapunuse-nama-gramasya pûrvva-dig-bhagê nama-gramô-rijita-
- 21 s=tasy=ârddham Vra(bra)hmamûrtti-âryya-bhaṭṭa-Ttrivikrama-chaturvvêdâya. dattaḥs= Tasya²¹ hastê Jñânaśiv-âchâryyêṇa ṭṛi(ṭṛi)mśa[d*]bhir²²=ggadyâṇakaiḥ
 - 1 Read obhattarakas=tasya.
 - ² The Nâgarî version (line 11) has priyd.
 - 3 Read lôka-mátá tayá. The Nagari version (line 12) has lôka-mátá tasyá.
 - 4 The Nagari version (line 13) omits this śri.
 - ⁵ Read $y\hat{a}$, as in the Någarî version (line 13). The word, however, is not really necessary at all.
 - ⁶ The mistake occurs in both versions.
 - ⁷ The Nâgarî version (line 15) has °bhattarakaḥ.
- ⁸ This is the reading of the Nagari version (line 15). The other version probably has exactly the same reading; but it may be *sinha.
 - 9 Read omahádéri tayá. The Nâgarî version lines (15-16) omits the visarga, and has mahádéryáyá.
- ¹º These three aksharas, recognisable at all in only the Nagari version (line 16), are extremely doubtful. But, as the temple of Lôkêśvara-(Virûpâksha) is on the south-east of the temple of Vijayêśvara-(Samgamêśvara), and the pillar stands on the north of the enclosure of the Lôkêśvara temple, and, to the best of my recollection, on the east of the Vijayêśvara temple, the temple of Trailôkyêśvara must have stood somewhere on the north-east of the Lôkêśvara temple; and so paśchima is the word that is required here.
 - 11 Read áyatanánám=madhyê; or, as in the Nâgarî version (line 17), âyatanánám madhyê.
 - 12 Read °amka. The Nagari version (line 18) perhaps omits the visarga.
 - 13 The Nagari version (line 20) has trisula.
 - 14 Read °amkah. The Nagari version (line 20) has °anko.
- 15 These two aksharas, recognisable at all in only the Nagari version (line 20), are mostly doubtful. But the dv seems to be fairly certain.
 - 16 The reading is very distinct in both versions; but it must be a mistake for ottrisahasra.
 - 17 The Nagarî version (line 22) has °álankrita.
 - 18 What the two damaged aksharas may be I cannot decide; but the name does not seem to be Samkara.
- 19 The reading of this name is taken from the Någari version only (line 22); the aksharas are very distinct; but I suppose that gamgadharena was intended.
 - The Nagari version (line 23) has velvalla.
 - 21 Read dattam tasya. The Nagari version has the same mistake.
 - 22 This is according to the Nagari version (line 25); in the other this word and the following are illegible.

22	suvarnnasya kraya-dânâd=grihîtâni ttrimsan-[n*]ivarttanâni kshêttr[âṇi]	Śrâvaņa.
20	mâsê amâvâsyâyâm sarvva-grâsê sûryya-	
23	grahaņê atmanah śri(śrê)y[ô-rttha	ım chaj
	acharya-prasanga-dêvakarmmik-avarttan-ôpaya-nimittam dêvasya	
24	pûjâ-samskârâya [cha] svakîy-âyatanê dattâni rakshitavyâni	
25	mata	

TRANSLATION.

Om! Om! Reverence to Siva! Victorious, victorious, be that union of (the god) Hara and (the goddess) Gaurî, in which the face and breasts (of the goddess) are passionately kissed by the left arm (of the god); in which the fingers (of the god) separate themselves among the curled tresses (of the goddess) that imitate the quivering movements of a swarm of black bees; (and) which resembles in beauty a fully expanded white water-lily (i.e. the god), enhanced by the sweetness of a yellow water-lily (i.e. the goddess) brought to maturity by the rays of the sun! *

(Line 4.)— Possessed of a mind that was free from (the contaminations of) the Kali age; like a very Raghu promoting the increase of the race of the Chalukyas; bever delighting in charity, like (Karna) the son of the Sun; characterised by impetuosity, like Vrikôdara,—(such was) the glorious and blameless and generous Vijayâditya-Satyâśraya, the favourite of fortune and of the earth, the Mahârâjâdhirâja, the Paramêśvara, the Bhaṭṭāraka. By him there was erected a great stone temple of (the god) the holy Vijayêśvara-bhaṭṭāraka. On the south of this:7—

(L. 7.)— The son, the dear (or favourite) son, of the glorious Vijayâdityadêva, (was) the illustrious unrepulsed one, to whose feet obeisance was done by all feudatory chiefs, the bruiser of the town of Kâñchî, the glorious Vikramâditya-(II.)-Satyâśraya, the favourite of fortune and of the earth, the Mahârâjâdhirâja, the Paramêśvara, the Bhaṭṭâraka. His dear (or favourite) queen-consort, born in the race of the Haihayas, (was) one who, like the divine (goddess) Umâ, was a very mother of mankind. By her there was erected a great stone temple of (the god) the holy Lôkêśvara-bhaṭṭâraka. On the north of this: 9—

(L. 11.)— Of (her) the glorious Lôkamahâdêvî, the uterine younger sister,— a dear (or favourite) queen of the glorious Vikramâdityadêva; (and) the mother of,— Hail!— Kîrti-

¹ The Nagarî version (line 26) has trimsan-ni°.

² From mase to sûryya, both included, the passage is illegible in the version in local characters. In the Någari version (line 26), the next word after kshéttr[āni] is āchārya-prasanga: the date, and part of the following context, were omitted in their proper place, and were inserted, with the exception of śrēyō-rttham cha, which was left out altogether, in four short lines that stand near the bottom of the south-east face, which had been left blank between the ends of the line of the version in local characters and the beginnings of the lines of the Någari version; and, fortunately, that part of the date which is obliterated in the version in local characters, is distinctly legible in the Någari version.

⁸ This locative seems rather uncouth. But it occurs again, in precisely the same phrase, in the other Någarî inscription on the east face of the square part of the pillar.

⁴ See page 4 above, note 3.

⁵ See page 4 above, note 12.

The literal translation may perhaps be "there was set up (the god) the holy Vijayeśvara-bhattāraka in (or of) a great stone temple." But the inscription seems really to seek to record the building of the temple,— not merely the setting up of an image of the god.— The same note applies to the two temples mentioned further on.

⁷ The context is - "Thus, in the middle of these (three) shrines," in line 15.

⁸ Her name, Lôkamahâdêvî, which here is only indicated by the word *loka-mâtâ*, 'mother of mankind,' is given in the next sentence.

⁹ Note 7 above applies here.

varman-(II.)-Satyāśraya, the favourite of fortune and of the earth, the *Mahārājādhirāja*, the *Paramēśvara*, the *Bhaṭṭāraka*, the glorious **Nṛipasimharāja**,— (was) the glorious **Trailôkya**-mahādêvì. By her there was erected a great stone temple of (the god) the holy Trailôkyê-śvara-bhaṭṭāraka. On the (?) west¹ of this:—

(L. 15.)— Thus, in the middle of these (three) shrines,— by the sculptor Subhadêva, who belongs to the Sândilya gôtra, (and) who is the son's son of the sculptor Śivavardhamâna, (and) the son of the sculptor Śiva; or, rather, by the Āchârya Jūânašiva, who is the disciple of the disciple's disciple at the feet of him, the venerable and worshipful Payôbhakshin, who had the appellation of Śivaśâsana, (and) who has come here from the Mṛigathaṇikâhâra vishaya on the north bank of the (river) Gangâ, (and) is dwelling in the asylum of (the god) the holy Vijayêśvara-bhaṭṭâraka,— there has been set up, in (?) the gateway of his own particular shrine, this great stone pillar, which bears the mark of the seal of the trident.

No. 2.— RANGANATHA INSCRIPTION OF SUNDARA-PANDYA.

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This inscription was discovered by my First Assistant, Mr. V. Venkayya, M.A., on the east wall of the second prâkâra of the temple of Ranganatha (Vishnu) on the island of Srirangam in the Trichinopoly tâlukâ. It consists of thirty Sanskrit verses. The Grantha alphabet in which it is written, differs very little from the character that is employed by the Tamilas of the present day. The only peculiarity which deserves to be noted, is that in two instances (पाच्या, line 3, and च्यादित, line 5), the group च is written as though it consisted of च and च, and once (in च्या, line 3) as though it consisted of च and च, while the correct form occurs also three times (परिचार स, line 18, रच्यां, line 19, and चेनाच्यादन, line 23). The inscription is

¹ See page 5 above, note 10.

² I adopt a suggestion made by Dr. Hultzsch, that rupa stands for rupakara.

³ See page 5 above, note 15.

⁴ See page 5 above, note 19.

⁵ This person seems to be the priest of the temple of Vijavêśvara.

The correct name is Belvola. In the Nagari version the name here appears as Velvalla.

⁷ See page 6 above, note 3.

⁸ lit. "which were taken, through giving a price of gold, by thirty gadydnakas."

flanked by two fishes, one on the left and one on the right. The carp (kayal or śêl) was the device on the banner of the Pâṇḍya king, who was, therefore, called Mîṇavaṇ, 'the bearer of the fish-banner.' It appears on many Pândya coins as the crest of the king.

The inscription belongs to the time of king Sundara-Pandya (verses 1, 42, 21, 23, 25, 26), who resided at Madhurâ (verse 2), belonged to the race of the Moon (verse 8), and was styled "the Sun among kings" (verse 3 and passim) and "the Chief of the world" (verses 7, 8, 15). The only historical incidents to which the inscription refers, are that Sundara-Pândya took Śriranga from a king who is designated "the Moon of Karnata," and whom he appears to have killed (verse 1), and that he plundered the capital of the Kathaka king (verses 4 and 8). As these same two enemies are mentioned in the Jambukêśvara and Tirukkalukkunram inscriptions, in which Sundara-Pandya is called "the dispeller of the Karnata king" and "the fever to the elephant (which was) the Kâthaka (king)," we need not hesitate to identify the Sundara-Pândya of the subjoined inscription with Jatâvarman, alias Sundara-Pândyadêva, who ascended the throne in A.D. 1250 or 1251.3 The Kâthaka king whom he defeated, was probably one of the Gajapati kings of Orissa, whose capital was Kataka (Cuttack).4 The "Moon of Karnâta," who was conquered by Sundara-Pândya, has probably to be identified with the Poysala (or Hoysala) king Sômêśvara, the first part of whose name means 'the Moon.' A copper-plate grant of this king, which is preserved in the Bangalore Museum, was issued on the new-moon tithi of Phâlguna of Śaka-Samvat 1175 current, the Paridhavi samvatsara (1st March, A.D. 1253), the day of an eclipse of the sun, "while he was residing in the great capital, named Vikramapura, which had been built, in order to amuse his mind, in the Chôla country, which he had conquered by the power of his arm." 5 The site of this Vikramapura can be fixed with the help of an inscription of the same Poysala king Vîra-Sômêsvaradêva in the Jambukêsvara temple, in which the king mentions "(the image of) the lord Poysaļēšvara, which we have set up in Kannanûr, alias Vikramapuram, in (the district of) Râjarâjavalanâdu." 6 Kannanûr is the name of a village at a distance of 5 miles north of Śrîrangam. On a visit to this Kannanûr, I was shown the traces of the moat of an extensive fort. On the branch road to Mannachchanellûr, part of the surrounding rampart was still visible over the ground. "The Nawâb" is supposed to have carted away most of the stones of the enclosure when building (or repairing) the Trichinopoly fort. Besides the present village of Kannanur, the fort included a temple which

¹ Compare verse 27 of the present inscription.

² The Tamil equivalent of this surname occurs on certain Pândya coins which I attribute to Sundara-Pândya; Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 324 f.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. pp. 122 and 343. According to Mr. Dikshit's calculations, the date of the Jambukéévara inscription is the 28th April, A.D. 1260, and that of the Tirukkalukkungam inscription the 29th April, A.D. 1259; ibid. Vol. XXII. p. 221.

⁴ ibid. Vol. XX. p. 390.

[•] Mr. Bice's Mysore Inscriptions, p. 322. The original (Plate iv. a) reads:— श्रीसीमेश्री सूमिपाल: ससुजव-खिनिर्जितचीलमंडले समनीविनीदाय विनिर्मता विक्रमपुरनामधेयां महाराजधानीमधिवसन् परिधावीसंवसरस प्राल्णनमासस्[ा]मावास्यायां स्थीपरागे विधीय[म] नानिकदानप्रविष्ठपंगा[त्] कलुकिष्णनाडुविषयांतर्गा[तं] मदिनपक्षीसिहतं मित्त-कहनामधेयं पुरं सस प्रमहिष्या: सीमलदेव्या: श्रेयोथं सीमलापुरापरनामकं क्रता चलारिश्रद्धिकश्रतन्धिकरक्तव्यया सप्ति इत्ती: परिकल्पा नानागीनेश्री ब्राह्मपेश्रस्तुरे सप्रतिष्ठितदेवस निष्ठिकभी[ग] ध धारापूर्विकं प्रादात् ॥ On Plate iv. b, the date is repeated in Kanarese:— श्रीनीरसीमेश्ररदेवरस्य स्वकर्ष १९०५नेय परिधाविसंवस्तरद प्राल्णनमास्त्रनावास्त्रे स्र्यवहण्यहलु. Dr. Fleet kindly informs me that, according to von Oppolzer's Canon der Finsternisse, pp. 236, 237, and Plate 118, a total eclipse of the sun actually took place on that day, and that the central line of the eclipse ran right across nearly the middle of India.

⁶ Line 5 f.:— Rājarājavaļanāttu=Kkaņņaņūr=āna Vikki[ra]mapurattu nām eļund=aruļivitta udaiyār Pēšaļišvaram=u[daiyār]. The same inscription refers to four images which Sômēšvara had set up in the Jambukėšvara temple,— Vallālišvara, Padumališvara, Vîra-Nārašingīšvara, and Sômališvara. These were evidently called after 2, his grandfather Ballāļa II.; (b) his grandmother Padmalā; (c) his father Narasimha II.; and (d) his queen Sômalā.

is now partially in ruins. I was told that the stones of several mandapas and of the enclosure of the tank in front of the temple were utilised for building the bridges over the Kollidam (Coleroon) and the Kâvêrî rivers. The south wall of the shrine still bears an inscription of the Hoysala king Vîra-Râmanâthadêva, in which the temple is called Pôśaliśvara (for Poysalêśvara), i.e. 'the Îśvara (temple) of the Poysala (king).' The name by which the temple goes now, Bhôjiśvara, is a corruption of the original Pôśaliśvara, and owes its origin to a confusion between the long-forgotten Poysala king and the popularly known king Bhôja. The walls of a neighbouring modern temple of Kâlî, called Śellâyi, contain detached inscribed stones on which some Hoysala birudas are distinctly visible, and which, therefore, appear to have originally belonged to the Poysalêśvara temple.\(^1\) The Poysalêśvara of the Kannanûr inscription is evidently the temple to which the Jambukêśvara inscription refers. Accordingly, there can be no doubt that the modern Kannanûr is the actual site of Vikramapura, the southern residence of Sômeśvara.

As regards Vîra-Râmanâthadêva, he must have been a successor of Sômêśvara, an inscription of whose 23rd year is quoted in an inscription of the 4th year of Râmanâtha in the Jambukêśvara temple. His relation to the hitherto known chief line of the Hoysala dynasty is established by an inscription of the Ranganâtha temple, which records a gift by Ponnambalamahâdêvî,³ who styles herself the uterine sister of Vîra-Râmanâthadêva and the daughter of the Hoysala king Vîra-Sômêśvara by the Châlukya princess Dêvalamahâdêvî.³ It thus appears that, while Sômêśvara was succeeded on the throne of Dvârasamudra by Narasimha III., his son by Bijjaladêvî,⁴ the southern part of his dominions went to Râmanâtha, his son by Dêvaladêvî. An inscription in the Jambukêśvara temple furnishes the name of one of the queens of king Râmanâthadêva. This was Kamalâdêvî, the daughter of a certain Ariya-Pillai. The name of this queen's younger sister was Chikka-Sômaladêvî,⁵ who appears to have received the Kanarese prefix chikka, 'younger,' in order to distinguish her from the elder Sômaladêvî,⁵ who was one of the queens of Râmanâtha's father Sômêśvara. The two temples at Śrirangam and the above-mentioned temple at Kannanûr contain the following Tamil dates of the reign of Vîra-Râmanâthadêva:—

No. I.— Inscription on the north wall of the fourth pråkåra of the Ranganatha temple at Śrirangam.

Poysaļa-srî-Vira-Râmanâthadêvarku yâṇḍu iraṇḍâvadu Kumbha-nâyarru pûrvva-pakshattu saptamiyum Budhaṇ-kilamaiyum perra Bharaṇi-nâl.

"The day of Bharani, which corresponded to Wednesday, the seventh tithi of the first half of the month of Kumbha in the second year (of the reign) of the Poysala śri-Vîra-Râma-nâthadêva."

¹ Mr. Sewell's account under "Samayâpuram" in his *Lists of Antiquities*, Vol. I. p. 267, has to be modified on the strength of the local information which I was enabled to collect.

² This name is derived from Ponnambalam, "the Golden Hall" at the Chidambaram temple in the South Arcot district.

[ै] होज्ञळत्रीवीरसीमित्रर[सुध] सिन्धीयाळुकालुल कुसुद्विकसनचन्द्रिकार्या देवलमहादे[वी]वेळायां ससुङ्ग्ताभिनक्लाची:
.... श्रीवीररामनाथदेवसहोदरी ... श्रीसीमनाथदेवचरणसरसिजसपर्थापर्थ्यापर्थ्याप्त सान्धविमवा.
सान्धविमवा. The last compound refers to the temple at Sômanâthapura in the Talakâdu tâlukâ of the Maisûr

सान्धांनभनाः The last compound refers to the temple at Somanathapura in the Talakadu taluka of the Maisur district, which is mentioned in two inscriptions of Saka-Samvat 1191 and 1192; see Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions pp. 48 ff. and 323 ff.

⁴ Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 69.

b Dévar Irámanáthadévar arasimáril Ariya-Pillai magalár Kamaládéviyár tangaiyár Šikkachchomaladéviyár.

^e This queen is mentioned in three inscriptions of Vîra-Sômêśvaradêva, viz. one of the 6th year in the Ranganatha temple, one of the 25th year in the Jambukêśvara temple, and the Bangalore Mussum plates of Saka-Samvat 1175 (see p. 8 above, note 5).

No. II.— Inscription on the west wall of the second prâkâra of the Jambukéśvara temple at Śrîrangam.

Pôśala-śrî-Vîra-Râmanâdadêvarku yâṇḍu [7vadu] Dhanu-nâyarru apara-pakshattu shashṭhiyum Budhaṇ-kilamaiyum perra [Pûra]ttu nâl.

"The day of Pûrva-Phalgunî, which corresponded to Wednesday, the sixth tithi of the second half of the month of Dhanus in the [7th] year (of the reign) of the Poysala śri-Vira-Râmanâthadêva."

No. III. - Inscription on the south wall of the second prakara of the Ranganatha temple.

Hoyisala-śrî-Vîra-Râmanâthadêvarku yâṇḍu padinaiñjâvadu Mina-nâyarru pûrvva-pakshattu prathamaiyum Tingal-kilamaiyum perra Aśvati-nâl.

"The day of Aśvini, which corresponded to Monday, the first tithi of the first half of the month of Mina in the fifteenth year (of the reign) of the Hoysala śri-Vira-Râmanâthadêva."

No. IV .- Inscription in the south-west corner of the third prakara of the same temple.

Pôśala-śrî-Vîra-Râmanâthadêvarku yându padinaiñjâvadu Mithuna-nâyarru aparapakshattu êkâdasiyum Nâyarru-kkilamaiyum perra Bharani-nâl.

"The day of Bharani, which corresponded to Sunday, the eleventh tithi of the second half of the month of Mithuna in the fifteenth year (of the reign) of the Poysala śri-Vira-Râma-nâthadêva."

No. V .- Inscription on the south wall of the Poysalesvara temple at Kannanur.

Padinėlavadu Adi-madam irubattu-nalan-tiyadiy=ana Prajapati-samvarsarada ² Śravana-śuddha-trayôdaśi Mangalavaram.

"Tuesday, the thirteenth tithi of the bright half of Śravana in the Prajapati year, which corresponded to the twenty-fourth solar day of the month of Âdi of the seventeenth (year of the reign)."

The above five dates can be easily calculated by an expert, because we know, from the inscription of Ponnambaladêvî, that Râmanâtha was a son of Sômêśvara. Hence the only possible Prajâpati year in date No. V. is Śaka-Samvat 1194. As this was also the 17th year of Râmanâtha's reign, the dates of Nos. III. and IV. will fall in Śaka-Samvat 1192; the date of No. II. in Śaka-Samvat 1179; and his accession to the throne in Śaka-Samvat 1177.³ It further follows that the defeat and death of Sômêśvara and the coronation of Narasimha III. at Dvârasamudra probably took place in the same Śaka year, 1177. The earliest known inscription of Narasimha III. is actually dated in this year.⁴ From an inscription, which is dated in the 29th year of the reign of Vîra-Sômêśvaradêva, at Tiruvâśi near Śrîraṅgam, it follows that the accession of Sômêśvara took place between Śaka-Samvat 1146, the date of his predecessor Narasimha II., and Śaka-Samvat 1177 — 29 =

¹ The name of the nakshatra is obliterated and may be Pûsam (Pushya), instead of Pûram (Pûrva-Phalgunî).

² This is a Kanarese genitive in the middle of a Tamil date.

³ Since this was written, Mr. S. B. Dikshit has very kindly calculated the five dates and informed me that No I. is the 24th January, A.D. 1257; No. II. the 14th December, A.D. 1261; No. III. the 24th March, A.D. 1270; No. IV. the 15th June, A.D. 1270; No. V. the 21st July, A.D. 1271; and that it follows from the two last dates that Råmanåtha ascended the throne between the 16th June and the 20th July, A.D. 1255.

^{*} Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 69.

1148. An inscription of the Poysala king Vîra-Nârasimhadêva in the Ranganâtha temple suggests that, subsequently to Śaka-Samvat 1194 (the date of No. V.), Râmanâtha was succeeded or supplanted by his half-brother Narasimha III. This inscription is dated in the cyclic year Vijaya, which would correspond to Śaka-Samvat 1216, and refers to Dêvaladêvî, who, as stated above, was the mother of Râmanâtha.

The fact that Râmanâtha held Śrîrangam after the death of his father, suggests that the defeat which Sundara-Pândya inflicted on Sômêśvara, had no permanent effect, but that Râmanâtha soon recaptured Śrîrangam from the Pândya king. The subjoined inscription appears to have been engraved between Śaka-Samvat 1175, the date of the Bangalore Museum plates of Sômêśvara, and Śaka-Samvat 1179, the earliest date of Râmanâtha.

The immediate purpose of the Ranganatha inscription of Sundara-Pandya is a description of his building operations at, and gifts to, the temple. He built a shrine of Narasimha (verses 2 and 10) and another of Vishnu's attendant Vishvaksena (verse 8), both of which were covered with gold, and a gilt tower which contained an image of Narasimha (7). Further, he covered the (original or central) shrine of the temple with gold,—an achievement of which he must have been specially proud, as he assumed, with reference to it, the surname Hêmâchchhâdanarâja, i.e. "the king who has covered (the temple) with gold," and as he placed in the shrine a golden image of Vishnu, which he called after his own new surname (3). He also covered the inner wall of the (central) shrine with gold (22) and built, in front of it, a dining-hall, which he equipped with golden vessels (23). In the course of two "dining-weeks," which he called after his own name, he "filled the capacious belly" of the god, or rather of his votaries (26). In the month of Chaitra, he celebrated the "procession-festival" of the god (20). For the "festival of the god's sporting with Lakshmî," he built a golden ship (21). The last verse (30) of the inscription states that the king built three golden domes over the image of Hêmachchhadanaraja-Hari (compare verse 3), over that of Garuda (compare verse 16), and over the hall which contained the couch of Vishnu (compare verse 6).

The following miscellaneous gifts to Ranganatha are enumerated in the inscription:—A garland of emeralds (verse 4), a crown of jewels (5), a golden image of Sesha (6), a golden arch (9), a pearl garland (11), a canopy of pearls (12), different kinds of golden fruits (13), a golden car (14), a golden trough (15), a golden image of Garuda (16), a golden under-garment (17), a golden aureola (18), a golden pedestal (19), ornaments of jewels (24), a golden armour (25), golden vessels (28), and a golden throne (29). The first of the gifts which are here enumerated, appears to have suggested the surname Marakata-prithivibhrit, i.e. "the emerald-king," which is applied to Sundara-Pandya in verse 13.

TEXT.1

- 1 इरि: भीम् खिस्त श्री: येनासी करूणामनीयत दशां श्रीरंगपत्माकर:' क्रत्या तम् भुवनान्तरप्रविधनं कर्णाटदीषाकरम् [।*] भूयोप्यत्र जगन्नयीवहुमतां सद्धी-मवस्थापयन्देवस्थुन्दरपारुषभानुरुदयं हीभे
- 2 प्रतापोषाळम् ॥ [१*] दत्तैर्वेकतुलाधिरोष्ट्रविधिना रंगेखरस्यालयन्देवरस्रीमधु-रामक्षेन्द्रनृपतिर्ज्ञाम्बूनदैर्विर्धामे [।*] पस्योत्तंगशुजाद्रिभाषुरययसन्द्रोदयव्यिष्वका सम्बे-वानियमीष्वते नवजपारक्षा यदंश-

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¹ From two inked estampages.

- 3 च्हटा ॥ [२*] भाच्छाद्य राजतपनः कनकैर्व्विमानं रंगे इरेस्त्[द]पदानभुवा खनाम्न[ा] [।*] अस्थापयत् परममा प्रणखात् सुवण्णैन्तस्मिन् पुमांसममले मनसीव योगी ॥ [२*] कोशादात्तां चितिपतिरविः काठकचोणिभर्त्तुमीलाम् प्रग्दान्मरतकमयीं
- 4 प्रार्क्ति रंगधान्ने [1*] लीना तस्थोरसि महित या लीलयोपित्य पश्चादा[लिं]गन्त्याः परिकलयते दोर्न्नतासाम्यमुर्व्याः ॥ [8*] देवाय रंगपतये नरदेवभास्तानस्पर्ययमणिमयमाकुटमाही [ज]ाः [1*] यस्य त्विषा दिनमणे [िर]व तारकाणां प्रान्ता कचिभ्रायन-
- 5 भीगिषणामणीनाम् ॥ [५*] प्रक्षत कनकवर्माष्ट्रादितं रंगभर्तुः यान्तरगराजं यार्क्षिणी राजस्यः [+*] विस्तरि विश्वरस्था यसामन्तेन पत्या कवचित इव लच्चाः कोंकुमैरंगरागः ॥ [६*] प्रत्यादिष्टसुमेक्ष्रंगविभवं विश्वोत्तरस्थापति-
- 6 श्त्रीरंगे नरेसिंइधाम विदधे कार्त्तसरं गोपुरम [।*] यिसवत्तस्रदीर्श्वभा-सुरमञ्ज्ञीमे मुद्धत्ते गतः पर्याप्ताक्षतिरेव भास्तरिमव प्राप्तश्रश्री दृश्यते ॥ [७*] घोरहै-रथिस्ववताठकपुरीसम्पत्समाकिष्णा देवेनेन्दुकुलोइक्षेन
- 7 विद्धे सर्वोत्तरस्मासता [।*] विष्वक्षेनविमानमस्ततनभसाञ्चारवेलोिकादो-चिस्म[श्वय]व[श्वि]तयुमणिना हेम्नातिभूमा इतम् ॥ [८*] स्नतस्य मृपभा[स्तत]ा रिपु-किरीटहेमोच्चरैरनेकमणियोभिनो मकरतोरणस्थान्तरे [।*]
- 8 इरि[र्वि]रिचता[स]को जय[ति] रंगधामात्रयस्तपात्सयपयोधर[न्त्र]द्यका-[म्री]कावेष्टितम् ॥ [८*] विष्णोर्व्सुजसुन्दरस्य विद्धे वेश्म चि[ती]न्द्रार्थमा कोशागार-वित्तु[रिष्ट]तै: चितिसुजां कोटीरहेमोचयै: [।*] श्रद्याप्य[न्ति]कभूरसुष्य बह्च[कै]-
- 9 धर्यत्तेजसामुत्गमैकत्संगस्यविदीव्यदैत्यक्षिरव्याप्तेव विद्योतते [॥] [१०*] रंगे-खराय चितिपालस्र्यः प्रालम्बमुक्तास्रजमुन्नतत्रीः [।*] भीतेन शक्तेय किरीटमंगात् सुर-दुमन्दत्तमिवोपनिन्धे ॥ [११*] मूर्त्ते यशस्त्वमिव सुन्दरपाण्डा-
- 10 देवो मुक्तामयं व्यधित रंगपतिर्व्वितानम् [।*] यस्य प्रभाभिरनुयाति तदीय-मीलिर्भागीरथीपरिगतमानुटम् पुरारे: ॥ [१२*] क्रमुकपनसमोचानाळिकेरासमुख्यै: कन-कनिचयकरप्तैर्वेकरूपै: प्रकीधै: [।*] मुदमक्कत सुरारेरेकरूपापि रंगे
- 11 मरकतपृथिवीस्त्सम्भवा भिक्तविश्वी ॥ [१३*] नृपितरिविद्रारसाञ्चरकोद्[तुं]गं व्यरचयद्धिरंगं शातकुम्भं शतांगम् [।*] °तिटदिभिसरणत्रीव्योि[िक्क] यस्य प्रभाभिस्थर-दवतरपेपि प्राप्यते वारिवाहै: ॥ [१४*] सर्व्वात्तीर्णमहीपितम्भेष्ठरिपोहेंवस्य जेता दिषां

[।] Read सरकत.

² Read चर्म.

Read खच्चाः कोडमें

⁴ Read गीपुरम्.

⁵ Read ogs.

⁸ Read ेसुइसें.

⁷ Read कृष्ते .

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- वि[स्ती]पर्णामत[नि]ष्ट हा[ट]कम[यीं] रंगे प्रपाञ्जंगमाम [।*] चष्टानां 12 ककुभाग्मुखेषु युगपत्तत्कीर्त्तिचन्द्रोदयं 'विष्वक्विसुरितैर्ग्मयुखविसरैस्मस्येव या शंसित ॥ [१५*] रंगास्यदप्रणियनः परमस्य पंसी हैमं सुपर्णमकरोत् चितिपालस्र्यः [।*] यस्य[ा*]-
- प्रजन्मन इव प्रभया स्मृरस्था सम्पदाते जगित शखदत्तमुं खत्री: ॥ [१६*] भासम्बयमृपरविक्शयितस्य रंगे कंसदिषी वपुषि काच्चनमन्तरीयम् [।*] यस्यांग्रुभिः कव-चितेन हिरस्थगर्भे भूयो निषर्णमिव नाभिगतेन धात्रा ॥ [१७*] उद्यै: प्रभावलयम्
- 14 ³जर्ज्जितकान्ति हैमम् प्रादत्त रंगपतये नरपालस्यीः [।*] श्राभाति यत्तद्प-कच्छगतम् 'प्रफुल्समन्तस्तमालमिव रम्यमशीकषच्छम् ॥ [१८*] नृपतपनवितीर्णामास्थिती **है**मपीठीम् ^६ विविधमणिविचित्राम् विश्वदुत्तैः प्रभाञ्च [।*] जयति धतमरुत्वत्कार्म्युकं
- रंगनाथ: कनकशि[खर]शृंगस्थायिनं काळमेघम् ॥ [१८*] चैचे मासि चकार राजतपनी यात्रीत्सवं रंगिनश्क्षाघंर 'कान्तिमयैस्तवात्[भु]तमयैस्रम्पस्यवैर्वासरै: [।*] नन्दन्खेव हि ते न विकायपदं ये विभात चेतनामाचैतन्यस्तीपि
- यच दधते इचा विकासम् परम् ॥ [२०*] कर्त्तं रं[ग]निवासिनः कमलया साकं विद्वारीत्सवं देखा सुन्दरपान्डादेवनृप[ति]र्कावववा[बि]र्कमे [।*] यद्रो[चि]:-खिततै: कवेरतनया रोधोक्हैक्शाखिभिर्मान्दारदुमषक्डम[क्डि]ततटामन्वेति मन्दाकिनीम्॥ [२१*] शीर्था-
- नीतैर्दरपतिरविक्शार्द्विणो रंगभर्त्तस्तारोचै: कनकनिचयैरान्तरं 'सलसालम् [1*] वेलाचकं विजयजनुषा तस्तरे यस्त्रधाचा "स्त्रसावारिकतवसुमतीसीमसालायमा-नम् ॥ [२२*] क्लप्तं सुन्दरपाच्छाभूमिप[ति]ना यद्रंगभर्त्तुः पुरो देव-
- स्वाभ्यवद्वारमण्डपमभूहिस्तीरण्यमायामवत् [।*] तेनैव प्रतिपादितस्य इरता प्रकीपतीनात्मनम सीवर्णस परिच्छदस तदलवासीदवस्थापने ॥ [२३*] श्रापादच्डम-करोबरपाळसूर्यो रंगेत्रितुर्वेपुषि रत्नविभूषणानि [।*] यैरस्य वचसि
- निविष्टपदापि पत्ना¹⁰ रत्नाकरम् भवति भूय दव प्रविष्टा ॥ [२४*] धर्मादिष-स्मिति सुन्दरपारहादेवे निर्माय पार्लायिति विश्वमधिन्यचापे [।*] विश्वोिव्यिभूषणम-भूदमुना वितीर्ण रंगाखयस्य तपनीय[म]यन्तनुत्रम् ॥ [२५*] इच्छां सुन्दरपाण्डा उत्त-तिमतीम् विश्वत् खया

¹ Read जक्साम.

³ Bead विष्विबं

³ Read बखयमूर्जितः

[·] Read प्रपत्त.

[ृ] Read पीठीं.

Bead ⁰याइत.

⁷ Read UW.

⁸ Bead ⁰वारीक्रवः

⁹ Read धनं.

¹⁰ Read पद्मा.

n Read पाखयति.

- 20 [संज्ञ]या [नि]ष्पाद्याभ्यवद्यारवारयुगळ[नि]ष्मम्पसम्पत्तिकम् [।*] सम्पूर्णे विद्धे गभीरमुदरं रंगिशितुःश्लार्ङ्गिणे यस्याभूत् भवनैश्चतुर्देशभिरप्यापूरण[न्दु]क्षभम् ॥ [२६*] भातन्वतान्वद्यमनेकतुलाधिरोहं रंगिन्द्रधान्ति नरदेवदिवाकरेण [।*] [हे]न्ना-
- 21 मसंशयमभंच्यत मेरुरहीं तत्केतुलचणमधास्यत चेव मीनम् ॥ [२७*] मही-पतिमद्दःपतिः प्रतिनरेन्द्रलोकादिव प्रतापरविमण्डलान्यपद्वतानि दोर्ब्विक्रमैः [।*] सुव-र्णपरिकल्पितान्यतिमद्दान्ति पाचास्यदात् कवेरगिरिकन्यकापुळिन[शा]यिने
- 22 शार्क्षि ॥ [२८*] सर्वानप्रणतात्रिपात्य नृपतीन् सिंहासनिभ्यो ² हठरत्तेति-माय समाहृतैमीन दव स्तम् प्रांश सिंहासन[म्] [।*] ³भूश्रत्भानुरदत्त रंगपतये यत् प्राप्य लक्षीसखस्त्रीयमीरतटीजुषस्रतटिती मेचस्य घत्ते त्रियम् [॥२८*]
- 23 हेमाच्छादनराज इत्यधिगतप्रख्यातनाम्नो हरिहेंमस्योरगस्दनस्य प्रयनागारस्य चाधित्रिय: [।*] [त्रीण] स्नाम[यानि] राजतपनश्चक्रे विमानानि यैश्वीरंगसः इवा-भिषेकविष्टतैक्त्मासते मीलिभि: ॥ [३०*]

TRANSLATION.

Hari. Om. Hail! Prosperity!

- (Verse 1.) Having caused to long for the other world (i.e. to set or die) that Moon of the Karnata (country), by whom this lotus-pond of Śrîranga had been reduced to a pitiable state, (and) re-instating in this (lotus-pond of Śrîranga) (the goddess) Lakshmî, who is worshipped in the three worlds,—king Sundara-Pandya rose full of brilliancy, (like) the Sun.
- (V. 2.) The king who was the Mahêndra of the glorious (city of) Madhura, built for the lord of Ranga a shrine (âlaya) with the gold which (he) had given by frequently performing the ascending of the scales. The mass of its rays, red like fresh roses, appears to be the dawn which indicates perpetually the rise of the bright moon of (the king's) fame from the mountain of his (the god's) raised arms. 10
- (V. 3.) Having covered with gold the shrine (vimana) of Hari (Vishnu) at Ranga, the Sun among kings placed in it (an image of) the highest being (parama-pums),— which consisted of gold to the tips of the nails, (and which he called) after that name of his, which had arisen out of that great work, 11— just as the Yôgin (places the highest being) in (his) pure mind.
- (V. 4.) The Sun among kings gave to Sârngin (Vishnu), who resides at Ranga, a garland of emeralds, 12 which (he) had taken from the treasure of the Kâthaka king, (and) which, clinging

¹ Read "HE".

⁸ Read मुख्डान.

⁵ Read खर्चमयानि.

² Read इंडाने°.

⁴ Read सतिडती.

⁸ Read विशासते.

⁷ The day-lotus (padma) is supposed to close its flowers at night and to be the residence of Lakshmi.

⁸ Literally, 'obtained a rise which was steaming with brilliancy.'

⁹ Here, and in verse 27, tulâdhirôha is used for tulâpurusha or tulâbhâra, "the gift of as much gold as equals the weight of one's body." An account of this ceremony, as performed by the Maharaja of Travancore on the 29th April 1892, is given in the "Madras Mail" of the 3rd May 1892.

¹⁰ A reference to verse 10 suggests that the "raised arms" are those of Vishnu in his Narasimha incarnation, who is tearing the demon Hiranyakasipu. Both verses 2 and 10 appear to fefer to the building of one and the same shrine.
11 vis. out of the covering of the shrine with gold. Compare verse 30.

² This gift appears to have induced the king to adopt the curious surname 'emerald-king,' which occurs in verse 13.

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- to his (*ihe god's*) broad breast, bears resemblance to the tender arms of the Earth, who has sportively approached from behind to embrace (*him*).
- (V. 5.) The powerful Sun among kings gave to the god who is the lord of Ranga, a crown of jewels, whose splendour extinguishes the light of the jewels on the hoods of the serpent (that forms the god's) couch, just as (the splendour) of the sun (dispels the light) of the stars.
- (V. 6.) The Sun among kings made (an image of) the king of serpents (Śesha), (who serves as) couch to Śârngin, the lord of Ranga, which was covered with a golden skin (and) which glittered as though it had been smeared with the saffron dye of the body of Lakshmî, who was sporting with her husband.
- (V. 7.) The king who was the Chief of the world, made at Śrîranga a golden tower (gôpura), which was the residence of Narasimha (and) which surpassed the splendour of the peaks of (the golden mountain) Sumêru. When at night the full-moon is standing for a moment over this (gôpura), which emits a mass of bright lustre, it looks as if she had joined the sun.\(^1\)
- (V. 8.) When the king who propagated the race of the Moon (and) who was the Chief of the world, had carried away the wealth of the capital of the Kâṭhaka (king), who was distressed by terrible single-combats,—he built a shrine (vimâna) of Vishvaksêna, covered with plentiful gold, which, by the mass of light that it emitted, made the sun waver in (his) course on the sky, which had been (hitherto) unobstructed.
- (V. 9.) Reclining under the arch (makara-tôraṇa), which the Sun among kings had made with masses of gold, (taken) from the crowns of (his) enemies, (and) which was adorned with numerous jewels,— Hari, who dwells in the temple of Ranga, surpasses a monsoon cloud which is surrounded by a rainbow.
- (V. 10.) The Sun among kings built a shrine (véśman) of Vishņu, who gracefully raises his arms, with masses of gold from crowns which (he) had taken from the treasuries of kings. The intense light which rises from it, makes the ground in his (the god's) vicinity even now appear covered with the blood of the lacerated demon² on (his) lap.
- (V. 11.) The glorious Sun among kings gave to the lord of Ranga a pendent garland (sraj) of pearls, which appeared to be the celestial tree, offered by Śakra (Indra), who was afraid that (his) crown might be broken (by the king).
- (V. 12.) Sundara-Pâṇḍyadêva made for the lord of Raṅga a canopy (vitâna) of pearls, which appeared to be his (the king's) fame, reduced to a solid state, (and) through the splendour of which his (the god's) crown resembles the diadem of Purâri (Śiva), which is surrounded by the Bhâgîrathî (Gaṅgā).
- (V. 13.) Like the creeper (of paradise) that grows on the emerald mountain (i.e. Meru?), the devotion that filled Marakata-prithivibhrit (i.e. the emerald-king), though of one kind only, gave delight to Murâri (Vishņu) at Ranga by (presents of) masses of different fruits, which were manufactured out of heaps of gold, such as areca-nuts, jack-fruits, plantains, cocoa-nuts, and mangoes.
- (V. 14.) The noble Sun among kings made at Ranga a golden car (śatánga), which, on account of its height, resembled a movable (Mount) Mêru, (and) through the splendour of which the clouds on the sky appear to be accompanied by lightning even in the season of autumn.

¹ The wonder to which the poet wants to draw the attention of his readers, is that the apparent combination of the sun and the moon over the horizon takes place on the full-moon day, and not, as we are accustomed to see it, on the new-moon day.

³ Hiranyakasipu, who was torn to pieces by Vishnu in his Narasimha incarnation.

³ See p. 14 above, note 12, and compare the similar surname Hêmâchchhâdanarâja in verse 30.

^{*} The word of the text is abhisarana, 'going to meet a lover,' by which the poet hints that both the lightning (tadit) and the autumn (sarad) were in love with the clouds (tarivaha).

- (V. 15.) The king who was the Chief of the world (and) the conqueror of (all) foes, made for the god Madhuripu (Vishnu) at Ranga a large movable trough (prapil) of gold, which, like the dawn, indicates, by masses of rays that are spreading on all sides, that the moon of his fame is rising simultaneously in (all) the eight cardinal points.
- (V. 16.) The Sun among kings made for the highest being which is fond of staying at Ranga, a golden (image of) Suparna (Garuda), by whose bright splendour, as (by that) of (his) elder brother, a permanent dawn appears to reign in the world.
- (V. 17.) The Sun among kings placed on the body of Kamsadvish (Vishnu), who reposes at Ranga, a golden under-garment. Covered by its rays, the Creator, who rests on (the god's) navel, appears to dwell once more in the golden egg (from which he was produced).
- (V. 18.) The Sun among kings gave to the lord of Ranga a lofty golden aureola (prabhā-valaya) of great beauty, which, placed near him, resembles a lovely group of blowing aśóka (trees), with tamāla (trees) between.
- (V. 19.) Placed on the golden pedestal (pîthî), which the Sun among kings had given (to him), (and) which was adorned with various jewels, and bearing the lofty aureola (prabhā), the lord of Ranga surpasses a black cloud which bears a rainbow (and) rests on the peak of the Golden Mountain (Mêru).
- (V. 20.) In the month of Chaitra, the Snn among kings celebrated for Rangin the procession-festival (yâtr-ôtsava), which is praiseworthy on account of bright, wonderful, and prosperous days. It is no wonder (that) those who possess intelligence, rejoice, when even the trees, which are devoid of intelligence, are in high glee (or in full flower).
- (V. 21.) In order to celebrate the festival of the sporting (vihár-ôtsava) of (the god) who dwells at Ranga, with Kamalâ (Lakshmî), king Sundara-Pâṇḍyadêva built of gold a new ship. Through the trees which grow on the banks (and) which are covered with its (the ship's) splendour, the daughter of the Kavêra (mountain)² resembles the Mandâkinî (Gangâ), whose banks are adorned with groups of mandâra trees.
- (V. 22.) The Sun among kings, who had covered the circle of the coast that formed the surrounding wall of the earth, which had become (his) residence, with the fame of his victories,— covered the high inner wall of the shrine (sadman) of Sarngin, who is the lord of Ranga, with masses of gold, which (he) had brought from (his) wars.
- (V. 23.) The large (and) long dining-hall (abhyavahára-mandapa),³ which king Sundara-Pâṇḍya had constructed in front (of the shrine) of the god who is the lord of Ranga, did not suffice for accommodating the golden vessels (parichchhada), which, taking away the wealth of kings, that same (king) had provided.
- (V. 24.) The Sun among kings placed on the body of the lord of Ranga, from the feet to the crest, ornaments of jewels, through which Padmå (Lakshmi), though leaning on his breast, appears to have again entered the mine of jewels (i.e. the ocean, from which she arose).
- (V. 25.) While, having crushed the enemies of order in war, Sundara-Pâṇḍyadêva, whose bow was (ever) ready for action, protected the world,— the golden armour which he gave to Vishņu, who dwells at Ranga, was a (mere) ornament.⁴

¹ Aruna, the charioteer of the Sun.

² i.e. the Kâvêrî river. Compare verse 28.

³ The author uses mandapa as a neuter, which suggests that he was a Southerner.

^{*} The armour was not required in earnest, as the king had already destroyed the dharmadvishuh (enemies of order, or demons), with whom Vishau formerly used to fight.

- (V. 26.) Having arranged two dining-weeks (abhyavahâra-vâra), (which he called) after his own name, (and) the abundance of which was inexhaustible, Sundara-Pâṇḍya, who entertained the desire for pre-eminence, filled the capacious belly of Śârngin, who is the lord of Ranga, which even the fourteen worlds had been unable to fill.
- (V. 27.) Repeatedly performing the ascending of the scales² on every day at the shrine of the lord of Ranga, the Sun among kings would have doubtlessly broken up (Mount) Mêru for the sake of (its) gold, if (that mountain) had not borne the fish which was the device on his (the king's) banner.³
- (V. 28.) The Sun among kings gave to Śârngin, who reclines on the sandy bank of the daughter of the Kavêra mountain, huge vessels, wrought of gold. which appeared to be so many suns of majesty, taken from the crowd of rival kings by the power of (his) arm.
- ($\dot{\nabla}$: 29.) Placed along with Lakshmî on the throne (simhāsana), which the Sun among kings made out of the conquered thrones, from which he had thrown by force all kings who would not bow (to him), and gave to the lord of Ranga, (and) which is as lofty as his own mind,— that (god) resembles a cloud, accompanied by lightning (and) resting on the slope of (Mount) Mêru.
- (V. 30.) For Hari, who had received the famous name of **Hémâchchhâdanarâja** [i.e. of the king who has covered (the temple) with gold], for the golden destroyer of snakes (i.e. **Garuḍa**), and for the splendid hall (which contained) the couch (of the god),— the Sun among kings built three golden domes (vimâna), by which (the temple of) **Śrîraṅga** glitters as he (the king) by the (three) crowns 5 worn at (his) coronation.

No. 3.— ALAMANDA PLATES OF ANANTAVARMAN.

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This inscription is engraved on three copper-plates of about $7\frac{1}{8}$ by 3 inches, which were "found underground while excavating a site near Alamanda in the Śringavarapukôṭa tâlukâ of the Vizagapatam district," and kindly transmitted to me by the Collector, Mr. W. A. Willock, I.C.S. The plates are strung on a plain ring, which had been cut before I received them, and which measures about $\frac{3}{8}$ inch in thickness, and $\frac{41}{2}$ inches in diameter. The weight of the plates is about 1 fb 7 oz., and that of the ring about 9 oz., total about 2 fb. The rims of each side of the plates are slightly raised in order to protect the writing, which is in nearly perfect preservation. The alphabet closely resembles that of a copper-plate grant of Dêvêndravarman, the son of the Maharaja Anantavarman, which was published with a facsimile by Dr. Fleet. The language is very incorrect Sanskrit, and is prose throughout, with the exception of two imprecatory verses (lines 24-27).

¹ I have translated vára by 'week,' a meaning which it has in Tamil and Kanarese, as two weeks (i.e. fourteen days) would better correspond to the fourteen worlds which are referred to in the second half of the verse, than two days. In Sanskrit vára means only 'a week-day.'

² See p. 14 above, note 9.

³ In the panegyrical introductions of the Tamil inscriptions of the Pandya kings, it is stated that their banner, the two fishes, fluttered (i.e. had been planted as a memento of conquest) on Mount Meru. See, e.g., line 4 f. of the Tirupparahkungam cave-inscription of Maravarman, alias Sundara-Pandyadêva (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 344):—
Por-kiri mél vari-kkayalgal vilaiyada, "while the spotted carps were sporting on the Golden Mountain."

⁴ Vishnu, whose body is of dark colour, corresponds to the cloud, Lakshmi to the lightning, and the throne to the golden mountain Mêru. Compare verses 9 and 19.

⁵ This refers to the crowns of the Pandya, Chola and Chera kingdoms. Compare Mummudi-Choladeva, the Chola king (who wears) three crowns, which was a surname of the great Rajaraja; South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. p. 139, note 1, and p. 222, note 4.

⁸ Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. pp. 143 ff.

The inscription records the gift of the village of Mede[lâ]ka in the Tirikaţu-vishaya (line 13 f.) to a Brâhmana of the Vâjasanêya school (l. 16). The grant was made at Kalingânagara¹ (1.2) on the day of a solar eclipse (1.18) in "the three-hundred-and-fourth year of the reign of the G[a]ngeya race" (1. 28 f.). The donor was king Anantavarman, the son of the Mahárója Rajendravarman, a member of the Ganga family (l. 12 f.) and a worshipper of Mahêśvara (l. 11). The wording of the passage which celebrates the virtues of the king (ll. 1 to 12), is identical with that of the corresponding passage in a copper-plate grant of Dêvêndravarman, the son of the Maharaja Anantavarman. As Dr. Fleet has expressed his intention of treating the chronology of the Gangas of Kalinga,3 I refrain from attempting any conjectures regarding the date of the new inscription, and would only point out that it appears to refer to the same era as the grant of the year 254,4 and that, consequently, the king Anantavarman, by whom the subjoined grant was issued, appears to be distinct from, and later than, another Anantavarman, who was the father of Dêvêndravarman.

TEXT.5

First Plate.

- त्रों खस्यमर[पु][रा*]नुक[ा*]रिण[:*] सर्वर्तमुखरमणीया[हि]ज[य]-1
- वं[त*]: कलिङ्गानगरवासका[त्*] महेन्द्र[ा*]चलामलसिखरप्रतिष्ठि-ध
- तिस्य सचराचरगुरो[:*] सकलभ्व निर्माणकसुवधारस्थ 3
- °सग्रङ्कचुडामणेर्भगवतो गोकर्णेस्व[ा*]मिनश्रर-4
- णकमलयगलप्रणामाहिगतकलका को-10 5
- नेक[] इवसंचीभजनितजय[य] इ" प्रतापावनतस-6
- ¹²मस्तसामन्तचक्रचुदा[म] णिप्रभामणुरीपुणु(र)-¹³ 7

Second Plate: First Side.

- ¹¹र्ख्युतनिजनिस्त्रिङ्गधारोपार्जितवरचरण्[:*] सितकुम्[दकुं]-8
- देन्द्वदातयगा ध्व(ा)स्तारातिक लाचलो नयविनय[ट]-9
- यादानदाचिन्यभोर्येदार्ये । सत्यत्यागादिगुण्स-10
- पदाधारभुतो¹⁷ परममाहेश्वरी ¹⁸मातापित्रपाद[[*]-11
- नुध्यात[:*] गङ्गामलकुलतिलको म(ा)हार[ा]जग्रीरा-10 12

¹ This is probably the modern "Calingapatam;" Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 144, and Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 7.

² Published by Dr. Fleet, Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. pp. 273 ff.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 144.

⁴ See note 6 on previous page.

From the original copper-plates.

⁶ Read शिखर.

⁷ Read [°]तस्य.

⁸ Read स्व.

⁹ Read अशाहचूडा.

¹⁰ Read कलिकाचरी.

¹¹ Read **氧气**.

B Read चुडा.

¹² Read मचरीपुच.

¹⁴ Read रश्चितनिजनिस्त्रिंब.

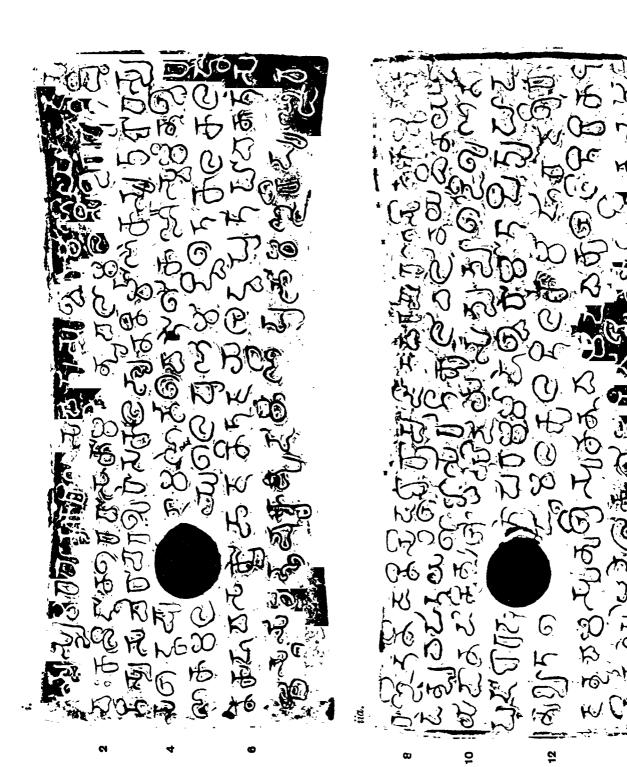
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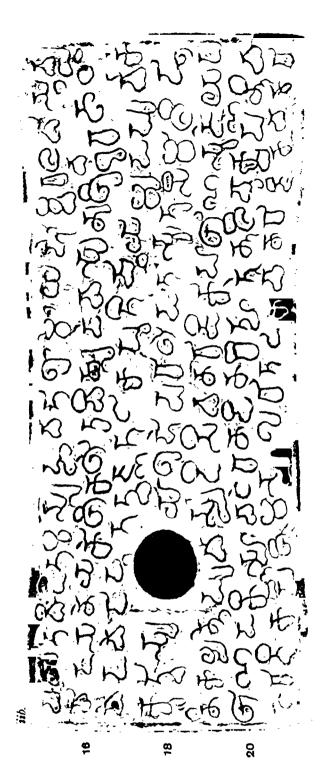
¹⁶ Read दाचिष्यशीयींदार्थे.

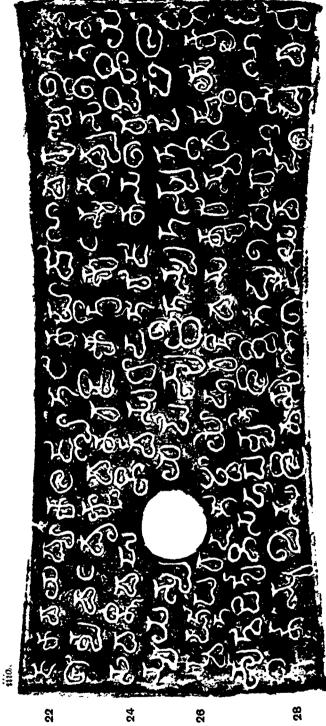
¹⁷ Read संपदाधारभूत:.

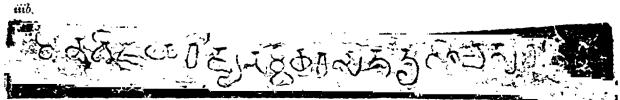
¹⁸ Read पित्र.

Bead श्रीरा⁰.









- 13 जन्द्रवमसुन् श्रीग्रनन्तवर्मदेव[:*] कुग्रली तिरिकटु-
- 14 विषये मेरे[ला]कग्रामनिवासिनं कुटुम्बिन[:*] सम्[-]-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 15 पयति³ [॥*] विदितमलुद्भवता¹ ग्रामोयं ⁵होस्वरवलवास्तव्य-
- 16 वाजसनेयकोशिकगोचविष्टुदेवसुनुश्रीधरम[टं]
- 17 [वै]दवेदाङ्गतत्वज्णतटाकप्रतिष्ठायामुद्पुर्वकं⁷
- 18 कला मुर्थग्रहोपरागी दतं [॥*] अन 'सिमालिङ्गा-
- 19 नि कथ्यन्ते [।*] पुर्वस्था 10 दिसि वनराजिका पाग्राण 11 [।*] श्रुज्णेय 12 प $^{\circ}$
- 20 प्राण् 13 [1^*] दिचण्स्या 14 चटेरनिंद् 15 [1^*] निरत्या 16 [ते]न्तलिवृचपन्ति 17 व-
- 21 नराजिक[ा *] पश्चिमस्या 3 गुरातटाक[: *] वनराजिक[*] वनरा-

Third Plate; First Side.

- 22 जन [1*] वयव्यां व कलज्खातटान [:*] पाषाण [: 1*] वाक्षा गर्त [: 1*] [ऐ]-
- 23 शान्य 22 वटवृत्त्र[:*] वनर[ा*]जिक[ा*] विकुट 23 [॥*] श्रव व्य[1*]सगीत[1*]नि
- 24 [भ]वन्ति [॥*] अवह्रभिवसुधा दता राजान सगरादिभि[:।*] य-
- 25 स्य यस्य यपा2 भुमी तस्य तस्य तदा फलं [॥*]
- 26 खदत्ता²⁷ परदतास्वा यो हरति वसन्धरा²⁸ [।*] खिवष्ठाया²⁹ क्रसि-
- 27 र्भुंत्वा³⁰ पिर्तुभि सङ् पचते [॥*] लिखितं दुगपे[र] इसिए³¹ [ख]-
- $28 \quad [क्ती] \hat{\mathbf{f}}^{32} \quad \mathbf{श्रखसितन} \quad [\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}] \quad [\mathbf{u}^*] \quad \mathbf{n}[\mathbf{r}^*] \hat{\mathbf{s}}$ यवङ्कप्रवर्ध- 33
- i Read ^वजेन्द्रवर्मसूनु:.
- 2 Read वासिन:.
- 3 Read समाज्ञापयति.
- 4 Read ⁰मस् भवंतां.
- The fourth akshara of इस्तिवास stands below the line.
 - ⁶ Bead कौथिक, विश्व, स्नु, भट्टाय.
 - 7 Read वेदवेदाङ्गतस्वज्ञाय and oमुद्रकपूर्वकं.
 - 8 Read सूर्यग्रहीपराग दत्त:.
 - 9 Read सीमा.
 - 10 Read पूर्वस्यां दिशि.
 - 11 Read पाषाण:.
 - 12 Read भाग्रेयां.
 - 18 Read पाषाय:.
 - 14 The W stands below the line; read Wi.
 - 15 Read नदी.
 - अ Read नैर्ऋत्यां.
 - 17 Read पड्ति:.
 - 18 Read ORT.

- ¹⁹ Read ^oजिका; the word वनराजिका appears to be repeated by mistake.
 - 20 Read वायव्यां कलजा⁰.
- ²¹ Instead of वा**रु**ष्णा (i.e. वा**रुष्णां**, 'in the west'), read उत्तरसां.
 - 22 Read °न्यां.
 - 23 Read चिक्ट:.
 - 24 Read बहु-
 - 2 Read दत्ता राजभि:
 - 26 Read यदा भूमिनख.
 - 27 Read खदत्तां परदत्तां वा.
 - 28 Read वसंघराम.
 - 29 Bead श्वविष्ठायां.
 - 30 Read °र्भृत्वा पित्रिः सइ.
 - a Read दुर्गप्परइस्थेष ?
 - Bead उत्कीर्धमचप्राविनाः
 - ध Read वंश.

Third Plate; Second Side.

29 म[ा]नविजयराज्यसम्बक्ररसत[ा]' तृचि चतु[रो]तरा [॥*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Om. Hail!

From the victorious residence? Kalinganagara, which resembles the city of the gods (and) which is pleasant (on account of the simultaneous existence) of the comforts of all seasons, the devout worshipper of Mahêśvara, who adores the feet of (his) mother and father, the ornament of the spotless family of the Gangas, the son of the glorious Mahárája Rajêndravarman, the glorious Anantavarmadêva, - who has become a receptacle of wisdom, modesty, compassion, charity, courtesy, bravery, magnanimity, truthfulness, liberality, and other excellent virtues; who has destroyed the principal mountains, (viz. his) enemies; whose fame is as bright as the white water-lily, the jasmine flower and the moon; whose handsome feet are reddened by the clusters of the light of the jewels on the crests of all vassals, prostrated by (his) valour; who has caused the cry of "victory" to resound in the turmoil of many battles; (and) who is freed from the stains of the Kali (age) in consequence of (his) prostrations at the lotus-feet of the god Gôkarnasvâmin, whose crest-jewel is the moon,4 who is the sole architect for the construction of the whole world, who is the lord of the animate and inanimate creation, (and) who is established on the sinless peak of the Mahêndra mountain,5- being in good health, addresses (the following) order to the ryots inhabiting the village of Mede[la]ka in the district (vishaua) of Tirikatu:-

- (L. 15.) "Be it known to you (that), at the consecration of a tank, (which took place) at an eclipse of the sun, this village was given, with libations of water, to Vishnudêva's son Śridhara-Bhaṭṭa, of the Vâjasanêya (śākhā) and the Kauŝika gôtra, who resides at Homvaravala, (and) who thoroughly knows the Vêdas and Vêdângas.
- (L. 18.) "The marks of the boundaries of this (village) are declared (as follows):— In the eastern direction, a row of jungle-trees (and) a rock; in the south-east, a rock; in the south, the Chatera river; in the south-west, a group of tamarind-trees (and) a row of jungle-trees; in the west, the Gurâ tank (and) a row of jungle-trees; in the north-west, the Kalajñâ tank (and) a rock; in the north, a trench; in the north-east, a banyan-tree, a row of jungle-trees (and) a trikûta.

¹ Read संवत्मरश्रतानि नौणि चतुरीत्तराणि.

² In this and other Ganga grants, vásaka appears to be used in the sense of rájadháni.

J In line 8 of this inscription, and in line 7 of one of the inscriptions published by Dr. Fleet (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 275), the word বিজানিভিন্ন (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 11, text line 11) shows that, in the original draft of the introduction of the Ganga grants, the word formed part of a compound which stood before प्रमाहिया:

⁴ i.e. the god Siva.

⁵ The Mahêndra mountain is frequently mentioned in the epic poems; see Böhtlingk and Roth's Sanskrit-Worterbuch, s.v. In the Raghuvamía (vi. 54), the king of Kalinga is called 'the lord of (Mount) Mahêndra.' General Sir A. Cunningham (Ancient Geography of India, Vol. I. p. 516) has identified the term with the Mahêndramala range, which divides Gañjâm from the valley of the Mahânadî. Consequently, the temple of Gôkarnasvâmin, which was situated on the Mahêndra mountain, must be distinct from the well-known shrine in the North Canara district. According to Mr. Sewell's account (Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 5), the Mahêndragiri is now included in the Mandasa zamîndârî and bears on its summit, 4,923 feet above the sea, four temples. The highest of these is built of very large granite blocks and dedicated to Siva. This is perhaps the Gôkarnasvâmin of the Ganga grants. In the "Madras Mail" of the 29th May 1893, Mr. Duncan states that the top of the Mahêndragiri hill is 17 miles distant from the Haripur station of the East Coast Railway.

⁶ तेलां is the same as विलिखी in the Amarakoia, and as विलिख in the Telugu and Kanarese dictionaries.
7 The same term occurs in Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 174 f., text line 36 f. Its meaning might be 'the point at which three roads meet.

- (L. 23.) "With reference to this (subject), there are (the following) verses of Vyasa:—"
 [Here follow two of the customary verses from the Mahdbhárata.]
- (L. 27.) (This edict) was written by the private secretary (rahasya) Durgappa (?) (and) engraved by the keeper of records (akshaśalin)
- (L. 28.) (In) the year three hundred and four of the prosperous and victorious reign of the G[a]ingeya race.

No. 4.— BITRAGUNTA GRANT OF SAMGAMA II.

SAKA-SAMVAT 1278.

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The subjoined inscription has already been noticed by Mr. R. Sewell in his Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. p. 8, No. 58. The original was lent by Dr. C. D. Macleane, Collector of Nellore, in whose office it is preserved, to Dr. Hultzsch, who has kindly placed it at my disposal for publication. It consists of five copper-plates, measuring on an average 10" by $5\frac{1}{4}$ ". There is a hole of about $\frac{7}{8}$ in diameter at the top of each plate for the usual ring, which is however lost. The order of the five plates is marked on the left margin of each plate with one, two, three, four and five notches consecutively. Besides, they are numbered by the ordinary Telugu numerals on the top of the back of each successive plate. The first four plates bear writing on both sides; and the last is inscribed on the inner side only, while its second side bears the numeral "five" at the top. The first side of the first plate has the symbols of the sun and moon at the left and right top-corners respectively, and below the moon the figure of a bull, tied by a rope to a tripod, which is surmounted by a trident. The occurrence of such symbols, quite common in stone-inscriptions, is rather rare on copper-plates. The lines are written across the breadth of the plates and number about twenty on each side. The raised rims appear to have been flattened and filed on the borders, and, consequently, some letters which run into them, have been partly injured. Nevertheless, the inscription is in good preservation, and, with very few exceptions, every letter of it can be made out with certainty.

The language of the inscription is Sanskrit verse of various metres, written in faint, but boldly engraved **Telugu** characters. The chief peculiarity of the alphabet is the manner in which the aspirate letters are distinguished from the unaspirated ones. The letters da and dha are distinguished as in Old Kanarese or Telugu, - the first by an opening on the right side, and the second by being fully closed up. But in lines 24 and 163, dha is written in its modern form. i.e. with the addition of a vertical stroke below. The difference which the writer has attempted to keep up between ba and bha, is rather complex. The top-stroke (talekattu, as it is called in Kanarese, or talakattu in Telugu) is considered sufficient to distinguish the aspirate from the unaspirated, except in cases where such a stroke is to be omitted in writing, as when other vowels but a, u and u are affixed to the consonant, and when it appears conjunct with another. There are several cases, too, in which both the talakaffu and the downward stroke appear in the same letter (ll. 120, 127, 137, 141, 144, etc.). It might be observed that, in ambhôruha in line 11, bho is written as in Old Kanarese or Telugu, with an opening in the centre below. The downward stroke of tha and gha is dispensed with, because no confusion could arise between them and their corresponding unaspirated forms; whereas, in the case of dha and pha, it is retained as the only mark of distinction from the unaspirated. The letters ta, sa, sha and la are

¹ The same official title occurs in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 12, and Vol. XVIII. p. 145, and the slightly different form rahafika (for rahasyaka), Vol. XIII. p. 121.

comparatively old in their formation. The vowels i and \hat{i} , o and \hat{o} , though distinguished in some cases by a partial and complete loop on the top respectively, are however often confounded. To avoid constant corrections arising from close transcription, I have, in the case of i and i, always adopted that form which the context proves to be correct. The vowels \hat{e} , ai and au are the undeveloped forms of their modern modifications in Telugu. The \hat{e} of $pray\hat{e}na$ in line 53, and the length of \hat{o} of $bh\hat{a}g\hat{o}$ in line 146, are shown as in the modern Telugu character.

As regards orthography,— dhdha for ddha frequently occurs (Il. 20, 101, 108, 157 and 163). The redundant use of an anusvára before a conjunct nasal is quite common (Il. 10, 12, 48, 113, 131, 136, etc.). As in other inscriptions, a consonant which follows r, is sometimes doubled. In lines 15, 20, and 21 the pa of Kamppa, and in line 31 the ya of samyyuga are doubled after an anusvára. A curious mistake is committed in line 60, where kadáchiptriyam is written for kadáchit=priyam. There are a number of other graphical peculiarities which are due to the influence of the Telugu pronunciation of Sanskrit. Except in nirvritim in line 59, ri is generally represented by ru. In lines 66 and 122, both ri and u, li and u are respectively affixed to the same consonant, and once (l. 181) ri is represented by ri. It is worth noticing that the word nâtha, which occurs four times in the inscription (Il. 50, 52, 161 and 189), is spelt in the first three cases with an anusvára before tha. This may be due to the tendency of the Telugu language to insert an anusvára in such cases (compare tammudu and tammumdu). The spelling bramhmassom (Il. 178 and 179 f.) for brahmasvam, saijñi (l. 87) for samjñi, saijña (l. 186) for samjña, the prefixing of a y before i and è and vice versá (Il. 21, 22, 23, 44, 65, 160, 165 and 180) are also due to the Telugu pronunciation of Sanskrit.

The inscription opens with an invocation to the Boar-incarnation of Vishnu (verse 1). Samgama I., the first historical ancestor of the first Vijayanagara dynasty, is then introduced without any reference to his mythical descent from the Moon, as is done in other Vijayanagara grants (verse 2). He had five sons,— Harihara, Kampa, Bukka, Mârapa and Muddapa (verses 3 and 4). Of these, the first two ruled one after the other. Harihara is said to have defeated the Muhammadans (verse 5). Kampa (verse 4) or Kampana (verse 6) had a son, called Samgama II. (verse 7), during whose time the subjoined inscription was written. Of this king we learn nothing but a number of birudas (verse 11). The inscription records the grant of the village of Bitragunta (verses 20, 21) or Bittarakunta (verse 19) to twenty-eight Brahmanas, whose names and gôtras are specified in verses 27 to 33; and refers incidentally to the grant of another village, viz. Simkêsari (verse 24). Both grants were made at the suggestion of the king's spiritual preceptor, the Saiva philosopher Śrikanthanatha (verse 12 and line 189), after whose name the village of Bitragunta received the surname Śrikanthapura (verses 21, 34, 35 and 42). The date of the first grant was the new-moon day of the third month of Saka-Samvat 1278 (in numerical words and figures), the cyclic year Durmukha. The inscription was written by Bhôganatha, the court-jester of Samgama II. (verse 35). At the end of the document (l. 184), the king is stated to have affixed by his own hand the name of Sri-Virûpâksha, the tutelar deity of the city of Vijayanagara (verse 42). This explains the origin of the colophons Śrî-Virûpâksha, Śrî-Venkaţêśa or Śrî-Râma at the end of other Vijayanagara inscriptions.

The motive for making the grant under consideration is stated to have been twofold, — first, a request, or almost a compulsory demand, of the preceptor Śrîkanthanatha, and, secondly, the king's own desire to procure immortality to his father (verses 17 and 20). The second statement further suggests that the expression pratyabdakâlê in verse 20 means "at the anniversary (of his father's death)." The inscription does not inform us if the first or any following anniversary is meant. But the motive why the king made the grant, i.e. for procuring immortality to his father, gives us sufficient room for conjecture. It is a well-known Hindû notion that the spirit of a dead man will continue to be a Prêta, or an evil spirit, until the

completion of all obsequial rites; and this completion is reached with the sapindya and abdika ceremonies, which are to be observed at the end of one full year after the death. After this period, and through the several charities made during the final ceremonies, the Prêta is supposed to become one of the Manes, i.e. to become classed with the Pitridêvas. Thus, it may be that the anniversary on which immortality or godhead was conferred on Kampa, was the first; and, if so, the date of Kampa's death and the accession of Samgama II. would be Saka-Samvat 1277. But this is only a conjecture which requires corroboration.

The contents of the inscription furnish us with two important facts, viz. first, the distinct mention of the five sons of Samgama I., and, secondly, that of a grandson of his, by name Samgama II. Both these facts are valuable; for, most of the inscriptions that contain a regular genealogy of the first Vijayanagara dynasty, mention only Harihara I. and Bukka I., the first and third sons of Samgama I., and ignore altogether the other three; and even the limited few that mention all the five sons of Samgama I.,2 are either open to suspicion or are imperfectly read. The importance of the second fact is even greater, inasmuch as it enables us to correct certain inferences which have been drawn from the colophon of the Madhaviya Dhâtuvritti. This colophon reads as follows:— "The Mâdhavîyâ Vritti, composed by Sâyanâchârya (who was) the uterine brother of Mâdhava, the son of Mâyana, (and) the great minister of Samgamarâja, the son of Kamparâja, the glorious lord of the Eastern, Western and Southern oceans."3 As the title indicates, the Madhaviya Dhatuvritti was dedicated by its author, Sayanacharya, to his brother Madhavacharya, who, as we learn from other sources, was the minister of Bukkana or Bukka I. of Vijayanagara.4 Further, Madhavacharva says of himself that "his mother (was) Śrimati, his father (was) the famous Mâyana. (and) his two uterine brothers (were) Sâyana and Bhôganatha, (who appeared to be his) mind and intelligence." 5 That Samgama, whose minister was Sâyana according to the Mâdhavîyâ Dhâtuvritti, has been hitherto considered as identical with Samgama I., the father of Harihara I. and Bukka I. The present inscription, however,- which acquaints us with a king Samgama II., who, as the Samgamaraja of the colophon of the Madhaviya Dhatuvritti. was the son of Kampa, and which also mentions a certain Bhôganatha, who is probably identical with that Bhôganatha who, according to the commentary on the Parasarasmriti. was the brother of Sâyana, - shows that Sâyana must have been the minister of Samgama II., and not of Samgama I., who, in the present state of our epigraphical knowledge, is nothing more than a name. In the colophon of his commentary on the Satapathabráhmana, Sayanacharya calls himself the minister of king Harihara, who bore the titles of Rajadhiraja and Rájaparamésvara.6 This can hardly refer to Harihara I., who claimed to be only a Mahâmandalêśvara; 7 and it must be assumed that Sâyana, who was originally the minister of Samgama II., subsequently held the same office under Harihara II. According to

¹ See the Mitakehard on Yājāavalkya, i. 253 f.— मार्कख्यः । प्रेतलीके तु वस्तिर्रुणां वर्षे प्रकीर्तिता । प्राक्रमेकीहिष्टस्थितेन सिपख्डीकरणेन प्रेतलिन हित्ते । पिटत्वं प्राप्नीतीत्ववसम्यते ॥

² Colebrooke's Miscellaneous Essays, Madras reprint, Vol. II. pp. 254 ff.; Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, p. 277 f.; Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. No. 79. Dr. Hultzsch, who has examined the original of the last-mentioned inscription, considers it a forgery, fabricated in the time of the third Vijayanagara dynasty.

³ श्रीमत्विपश्चिमद्त्तिष्वससुद्राधीश्वरक्षम्यराजसृतसंगमराजमहामित्तमायषपुत्रमाधवसहीदरसायषाचार्य[क्रता*] माध-वीया हिन्त[:*]. The Berlin MS., as transcribed by Professor Weber, Berlin Catalogue, Vol. I. p. 222, No. 789, reads संज्ञामजमहामित्त्व.

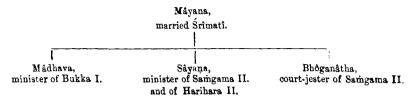
⁴ See the introduction to Mådhava's commentary on the Parásarasmriti in Professor Aufrecht's Oxford Catalogue, p. 264; and Dr. Fleet's abstract of a Banavase inscription, Ind. Ant. Vol. IV. p. 206, No. 2.

⁵ श्रीमती जननी यस सुकीर्तिर्मायण: पिता। सायणी भीगनायथ सनीवुडी सहीदरी॥; Professor Aufrecht's Oxford Catalogue, I. c.

⁶ See Professor Weber's Berlin Catalogue, Vol. II. p. 73.

^{&#}x27;7 See his Bâdâmi inscription of Śaka-Samvat 1261; Ind. Ant. Vol. X. p. 63.

Professor Anfrecht, he died in A.D. 1387. All that we can at present gather regarding the genealogy of Mâdhava and Sâyana, is as follows:—



According to Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 142, Bitragunta, the first of the villages granted, is situated 7 miles south by west of Kâvali, which is 32 miles from Nellûr (Nellore) and is the head-quarters of the Kâvali tâlukâ in the Nellore district. Its situation is described in the inscription as being 3 yôjanas north of the town of Vikramasimhapura in the district called Pakavishaya, which was situated on the shore of the Eastern ocean, i.e. the Bay of Bengal (verse 19). I do not know if the name Vikramasimhapura still exists; but the name Paka survives in the name of a certain sect of Telugu-speaking Sudras in the Mysore territory, who profess to come from Pakanadu, the country of Paka, and are as such called Pâkanâtis. The other village, Simkêsari, is said to be situated in the district called Mulikidesa on the northern bank of the Pennâ, r.e. the well-known Pennêr river, and to the north of the Saiva temple at Pushpachala (verse 24), which is identical with Pushpagiri, 8 miles north of Kadapa (Cuddapah). A native of Pushpagiri informed me that close to Pushpagiri is a village named Sunkêsaru, which appears to be the same as the Simkêsari of the grant. It may be also remarked that a certain class of Smarta Brahmanas, who call themselves Mulikinaduvaru, profess to have emigrated from the Muliki country. The other places mentioned in the inscription as the boundaries of the two villages (verses 22 and 25) I am unable to identify. But so much is certain that Samgama II. held portions of the present Nellore and Cuddapah districts, while his uncle Bukka I. was reigning at Vijayanagara. Samgama II. can scarcely have been dependent on Bukka I., as he would have otherwise referred to the latter as his overlord in his inscription. The fact that he represents his own father Kampa as the actual successor of Harihara I. also suggests that he considered himself entirely independent of Bukka I.

TEXT.3

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- 1 हरेलीं लावराहस्य दंषा-
- 2 दंडसा पातु व: । ईमा-
- 3 द्रिकळ्या य[त]
- 4 धाती च्छत-
- 5 त्रियं दधी ॥ [१*]
- 6 श्रस्ति प्रस्त्यमानप्रवल-
- 7 निजभुजाखर्वंगर्वानुरोधिस्वाधीनू-3
- 8 दारसारस्थगितरिपुन्पोद्दामसंग्रा- '

¹ Catalogus Catalogorum, p. 711.

[!] Read खाधीनीदार.

From the original copper-plates and ink-impressions of them.

[·] Read वृषी.

- 9 मशक्ति: । राजा राजन्यकोटिप्रणतिपरि-
- 10 लुठंसीळिमाणिकारीचीराजीनीराज्य-
- 11 मानस्फुरदुक्चरणांभोक्ह(:)-
- 12 संगर्भेट्र: ॥ [२*] तस्नादुदभवंन्पंच तनया-
- 13 भौर्यग्रालिन: । कल्पावनिरुद्धाः पूर्व
- 14 कलप्रांबुनिधेरिव ॥ [३*] मादी हरिहर-
- 15 स्मास्त्रदथ कंप्पमश्चीपति: । ततो
- 16 बुक्सस्रीपाल[:*] पद्मान्मारपसुद्दपी ॥ [8*]
- 17 तत्र राजा इरिहरी धरणीमसिषचि-2
- 18 रं । सुवामसदृशा³ येन सुरवा-
- 19 ण: पराजित: ॥ [५*] तस्त्रानुज(:)विरमणा-
- 20 दावीं कंप्पसभूपति: । याधातर्थं-
- 21 सभजंनास यस्य कंपाइतु-'
- 22 [र्द्धि]षां ॥ [६*] जयंत यिव जंबारे:
- 23 प्रयुक्त यिव⁶ शार्डिंग: । तनयसा-

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- 24 म[भू]द्वीरस्तस्य संगमभूधर: ॥ [७*]
- 25 यस्त्र 'दृष्टिमुदयइया-
- 26 रसामर्शिनामभिमतान-
- 27 बंधिनीं । इंत नूनमनु-
- 28 यांति सस्पृष्टं कर्नकस्पत्रका-
- 29 मधेनव: ॥ [८*] यङ्गजात्रयणजात-
- 30 कौतुका नापरं अयरमाभिव्र-
- 31 खती । संयुगानि समुपेयु-
- 32 षी चिरादासिधारमनुतिष्ठति .ब्र-
- 33 तं ॥ [८*] यद्यश्रःप्रसर्णेन भूय-
- 34 सा च्वादमेयुषि परं जगवये [1]
- 35 अश्रुते विफलतां न चंद्रमाः केवलं
- 1 Read साभद्रथ.
- ² Read [°]मश्रिष[°].
- 3 Read सद्धी.
- · Read कम्पयित्

- 5 Read दव जमारे:
- * Read इव मार्किण:.
- 7 Read दृष्टि.
- 8 Read संख्हं कर्ण.
- º Read इसती.
- 10 Read जगचये.

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कुसुदिनीविकासनात् ॥ [१०*] श्रीमा-
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- न्प्राक्प्रत्यगव्धिद्वितयपरिवृद्ध(:)[सी]-1 37
- ष भाषातिलंघिचुद्रच्याभ्य [इ]-3 38
- जंगः प्रतिभटधरणीपालसेना[वि]-39
- बाळः । मादांनागाश्वमत्था विष]-40
- तिगजघटापंचवक्कोभियाती-41
- त्युइषंते यदीया[:*] स्फ्टो-42
- मिच विषदासांततं वंदिब्रं-43
- दै: ॥ [११*] यिखं सर्वगुणोपरंजनक-44
- 45 लामीद्रग्विधामेयुष-

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- 46 स्तस्य चोणिपतेरपारयश्रसस्तलो-
- पदेशक्रियां । कर्त्त कामपि वा-47
- 48 सनासुप[न]यंन् कार्-
- ख्यवारांनिधि[:*] (1) श्रीमानांनिधि-49
- मादधत् पश्रपधिः श्रीकंठनांथात्मना 50 ા શિર્*ો
- **51** माहेष्वराणां तलानां मान्ये य-
- स्मिन् प्रदर्भके [।*] प्राचामदर्शि नांधा-10 52
- 53 नां प्रायेण नवता भुवि ॥ [१३*] य-
- 54 त्यादानतिमात्रेण यतीनां
- 55 मुत्तिरंतिके । क्रियते तप-
- 56 सा किंतु केवलं कायशोष-
- णं ॥ [१४*] कैवल्यपदवीदारकवाटोद्वा-57
- टकर्मणि । कटाचाः क्रंचिका यस्य
- कांचतां तत्र निर्वृतिं ॥ [१५*] स कदाचि-59
- तियं¹¹ शिष्यं संगमेंद्रमुपस्थि-60
- तं । न्यदिशहेशिको दृष्ट्या विभवेरप्रे-61

¹ Read परिवट.

² The form सेष is grammatically correct. See note 1 on the sutra सी ऽचि सीपे चैत्पादपूरवन्: Siddhantakaumudi, Bombay edition of 1892, p. 15.

^{*} Read चाम्".

⁴ Read विभाड: (Kanarese).

[।] Read बन्देः.

Bead Tei.

⁷ Read °मीद्गिवधा°.

⁸ Read पश्पति:.

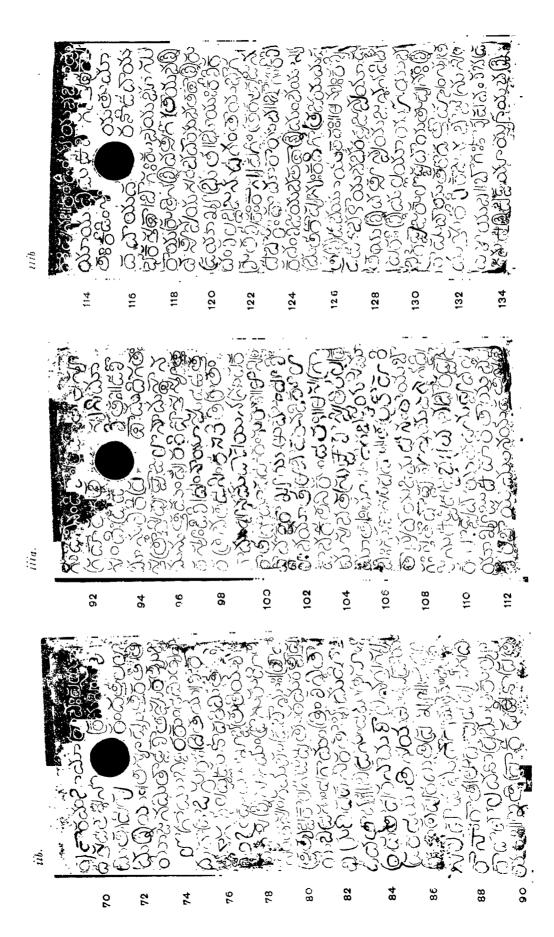
⁹ Read नायात्मना.

¹⁰ Read नाया.

¹¹ Read कराचित्प्रयं.

P Read दुष्णा निर्भर.

TAY.



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62 मगर्भया ॥ [१६ ] अग्रहारं कमप्य-
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- 63 त्र त्वया दापयितुं मम [1]
- 64 प्रीतिरस्ति ततः कश्चित्¹ यामी रा-
- 65 जंन प्रदीय्यतां ॥ [१७*] यिति तस्य
- 66 गुरोराचामीणिता धरणीमृ-'
- 67 तां । अग्रहीदंजिं ग्रधंनवनं-
- 68 [म्रे]ण मौळिना ॥ [१८*] पाकाख्यो विषयी-

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- 69 स्थपारमिहमा प्राच: पयी-
- 70 धेस्तटे तस्मिन् विक्रमसिंह्य-
- 71 मित्यपि पुरं धत्ते लला-
- 72 मित्रयं । तस्याप्युत्तरतीति-
- 73 योजनिमताइशात् स्पुरखुज्व-
- 74 लो यामो बिहरकुंटमित्यमु-
- 75 मदाद्राजा गुरो: प्रीतये ॥ [१८*] श्राका-
- 76 व्हे नागशैलध्यमणिपरिमिते³
- 77 १२७८ दुर्मुखाँन्दे तुतीये³
- 78 मासि श्रीसंगमेंद्रो गुरुह्तित-
- 79 निरतसांगम चंद्रबान्वो:10 । प्रा[दा]-
- 80 ग्रत्यन्दकाली निजिपतुरमरत्वाप्त-
- 81 ये बिद्रगुंटग्रामं तिंशिकाता-
- 82 भ्य[:*] श्रुतिपधनिरताभ्यो मही-
- 83 देवताभ्य: ॥ [२०*] बिद्रगुंटमितीच्य
- 84 प्रधितापरनामशालिनस्तस्य [1*]
- 85 प्रकटयति सा यमींद्रपाय[:*]
- 86 त्रीकंठपुरिमति प्रख्यां ॥ [२१*] आ पू-

9 Read तृतीये.

¹ Read किंबिंद · ² Read प्रदीयताम् ³ Read इति.

To the bh of bhritam, both the vowels ri and u are attached in the original.

⁵ Read सिंह. 7 Read े तुज्जवी.

^{*} Read व्यापारतिस्त.

B Read व्यापार | 10 Read आची:

B The Aryd metre, in which this verse is written, requires one short syllable more in the first pdds. The form Bittarakumts, which occurs in line 74, would meet the deficiency.

- सलपाडभुवोष्या मह्नेकुं हसैन्नि-1 87
- कासारात् । आ पापटपुटसवि-88
- 89 धादा वा लवणप्रभूतिकुल्या-
- या: ॥ [२२*] इति 'प्राक्ट्चिणप्रत्य-90

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- गुदीचीनं³ दिशां क्रमात् । ग्रस्था-91
- ग्रहाररब्रस्य सीमा-92
- संधि: प्रदर्भित: ॥ [२३*] देशी-**9**3
- भून्म लिकिप्रयामधिगत(:)-94
- स्तवास्ति पुष्पाजली' नाम 'स्थान-95
- मनुत्तमं पुररिपोस्तस्योत्त-96
- 97 रस्यां दिशि । पेनाया[:*] स्फ्ट उत्त-
- रव च तटे सिंकेसरीति श्रतं 98
- यामं पूर्नमदापयन् व्यक-99
- रात्⁵ ग्रामोपहारं गुरु: ॥ [२४*] **ग्रा** सिं-100
- दोर्वकराख्याया या च जं[पू]िश-101
- 102 लोचयात्⁶ । त्रा बादरनदीकूला-
- दा च केतनिकुंठत: ॥ [२५*] ग्रस्थ ग्रा-103
- मस्य 'चतस्रवायास्त्रित किल क्र-104
- मात् । सीमासंधिरभिन्नेय[:*] सीमा-105
- भि(:)गुणसंपदां ॥ [२६*] तवैको इरि-106
- तान्ववायजनुषे [ऽ*]नंताय 107
- ग(:)स्ततो वार्ड्यमान्यजन्मने ध्व-108
- जनुषे दी पेहिमहाय च । भारहाज-109
- कुलीइबाय¹⁰ तदनु ¹¹ध्वावेत्न-110
- 111 याख्याज्ञषे हारीताय च
- वन्नवाय12 सुनये दत्तस्तथै-112

¹ Read संजि.

² Read प्राग.

⁸ Read °गुदीचीनां.

⁴ Read पुणाचली.

^{*} Read पूर्णमदापयन प्रकाराइ.

⁶ Read जन्ब्भिलीच्यात्.

⁷ Read चतस्रवा°.

⁸ Read भाग.

⁹ Read दिजनुषे.

Nead Sale.

n Read दावेह्न.

B Read MINIE.

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- 113 कः पुनः ॥ [२७*] कोंडिन्याय च बींम-
- 114 याय विदुषे 'वाग(:)स्तयैकस्त-
- 115 त: कीडिंन्याय² तु मा-
- 116 धवाय धरणीरेवाय
- 117 चैकस्तथा । बागः क्रचयभूस-
- 118 राय क्रांतिने श्रीक्लगोताय च श्री-
- 119 वत्सान्वयसंभवाय च तथा श्रीर-
- 120 द्रयाख्याभ्रुतं ॥ [२८*] भूयः कौश्रिक-
- 121 वंशलब्धजनुषे [ऽ*]नंताय भाग[:*]
- 122 श्रुतश्वेक: कास्यपगीत[क्रू]प्तजनु-
- 123 वे बाग: कुमाराय च ॥ बाग: कौशि-
- 124 कवंशजाय च तथा श्रीमंचयाख्या-
- 125 भ्रुते कोप्यंन्य: कपिगीवजाय मह-
- 126 ते त्रीदेचयायेतर: ॥ [२८*] ग्रन्य: कश्चि-
- 127 दहोभळाय च भरदाजान्वयो[द्रू]-
- 128 तये श्रीवत्सान्वयजनाने [ऽ*]पि च
- 129 पर: श्रीमल्यार्थाय च ।
- 130 भारदाजकुलोद्दवाय" तु पुन: श्री-
- 131 राघवायतरो दत्तो ह्यंन्यत-
- 132 मस्त् कौशिकजनुर्भाजे वुमिं-
- 133 ह्याय12 च ॥ [३०*] बागं:13 काम्यपवंशभद्र-
- 134 जन्मे श्रीपेन्यार्थाय न नी

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- 135 महातमवंश्रसेखरकचे श्रीपंन-
- 136 याख्याय च । कौंडिंन्यान्व-

Read will.

8 Read भाग:.

· Read भते.

- 2 Read कौ खिन्याय.
- 4 Read क्रतिने.
- ⁶ Read काञ्चप.— To the k of klipta, both the vowels li and u are attached in the original.
- र Read भाग:

b Read व्योद्गतये.

18 Read भाग:.

⁸ Read भाग:.

- 11 Read elsaje.
- 14 Read oद्गीतमवंत्रभेखर.

9 Read भते.

" Read वसिंहाय.

- 137 यमझयाय च भरदा-
- 138 जान्वयश्रेयसे संभूताय च
- 139 विठ्ठलाय¹ पुनरित्येकैकमेवार्षि-
- 140 त(ा): ॥ [३१*] दत्तो विश्वतकास्यपान्वय-
- 141 भुवे श्रीतिषयार्थ्याय तही-
- 142 त्रोइतिजुषे तथा(म)य्यनुरिति
- 143 खाताय वीतां इसे । नागाखा-
- 144 य च धीमते गुरुभरद्वाजाभिजन्मस्र-
- 145 गें वाधलाय च सर्वनाम वह-
- 146 ते 'बागोयमेकीकशः ॥ [३२*] श्रीशालावत-
- 147 वंग्रजाय ⁵नुहरिप्रख्याय द-
- 148 त्ताः पुनः शांडित्थाय च भूसु-
- 149 राधिपतये श्रीगिर्याविख्याजु-
- 150 षे । श्रीकंठाय च 'कास्यपान्वयभु-
- 151 वे कौंडिन्यगीविश्वते लच्चीदेव-
- 152 विपश्चिते तदितरे भागास्त्रधै-
- 153 केक्य: ॥ [३३*] असद्वृत्तोदारमुक्ताम-
- 154 यभरितवपुर्नित्यसौगुखग-
- 155 खचेत्रालंकारभूतप्रखमित-º

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- 156 कट्मनस्तापविद्वप्रकाश: ॥
- 157 श्राची वर्ण[:*] प्रसिद्धिं श्रयति
- 158 खलु यतश्राखतावासरंम्य-
- 159 सा श्रीकंठाय[हा]र[:*] स्पूरत विगळि-
- 160 तवासमाचंद्रवासं ॥ [३४*] यिति¹⁰ भी-
- 161 गनांथसुधिया संगमभूपा-
- 162 ज़नमीसचिवेन । श्रीकंठपुरस-

¹ Read विट्ठलाय.

² Read काम्यपा⁰.

Read सृशे.

⁴ Read भागी.

⁵ Read नहरि.

[·] Bead श्रीगर्धभिद्या.

⁷ Bead काम्यपा⁶.

⁸ Read सहसी°.

⁹ Read oxxena.

¹⁰ Read इति.

¹¹ Read नाथ.

- 163 मिडी शासनपत्रेषु विलिखिता[:*]
- 164 स्नोका: ॥ [३५*] सामान्योयं धर्मासेतु धु-
- 165 पाणां² काले काले पासनीय्यो³ म-
- 166 इिंड: । सर्वानेतान् भाविन: पा-
- 167 र्खिवेंद्रांन् भूयो भूयो या-
- 168 चते रामचंद्र: ॥ [३६*] येकैव भगिनी ली-
- 169 के सर्व्वेषामेव भूभुजां । न [भी]-
- 170 ग्या न करग्राह्या विप्रदत्ता व-
- 171 सुंधरा ॥ [३०*] स्वदत्तां परदत्तां वा
- 172 यो हरितिं वमुंधरा । ष[ष्ठि]व्वं-
- 173 षंसहस्राणि विष्ठायां जाय-
- 174 ते क्रिमि $[:^*]$ ॥ $[
 abla^{
 abla^*}]$ खदत्ताहिगु $\overline{\mathbf{u}}^i$ पु $\overline{\mathbf{u}}$
- 175 परदत्तानंपालनु [1] परडत्ता-º
- 176 पहारेण खदत्तं [नि]ष्पलं भ-

Fifth Plate.

- 177 वेत् ॥ [३८*] न विषं विषमित्याद्वर्ने-
- 178 द्वासों¹¹ विषमुचाते । विष-
- 179 मेकाकिनं इंति ब्रंह्म-
- 180 स्त्रीं पुत्रपौत्तकं ॥ [४० *] येवं विज्ञा-
- 181 य यो राजा [पा]लयेखिथिवीसुना-
- 182 न 11 । सामाज्यलच्मींसंपंत्रसा
- 183 भूमी सुखमेधते ॥ [४१*]
- 184 श्रीविरूपाच [॥*]
- 185 श्रीकंठपुरसंपूर्वे¹⁶ श्री-
- **186** विरूपाचमैज्ञया¹⁷ [।*]

[।] Read समुद्धीर.

² Read व्नुपाणां.

a Read पालनीयी भवड़ि:

⁴ Read एकेंब.

⁵ Read इरेत वसंधराम्-

⁶ Read षष्टिं वर्ष.

⁷ Read वत्ताद्दिगुणं.

⁸ Read दत्तानुपालनम्.

⁹ Read परदत्ता°.

¹⁰ Read निष्मलं.

n Read विश्वस्त्रं.

¹² Read ब्रह्मसं.

B Read Va.

¹⁴ Read व्यथिवीसरान्.

¹⁵ Read लच्चीसंपन्न.

¹⁶ Read संपूर्ते.

¹⁷ Read संचया.

- 187 लिखितसांगमेंद्रेण प-
- 188 वि 1 पंचाचरी मनु $[:^{*}]$ ॥ $[४२^{*}]$
- 189 श्रीकंठनाथ ॥ मंगळमहा-
- 190 स्त्री स्त्री स्त्री स्त्री [॥*]

TRANSLATION.

- (Verse 1.) Let that tusk of Hari (Vishņu), who disported himself (in the shape of) a boar,— (carried) on which (tusk), as on a staff, the Earth appeared to be a parasol, with the golden mountain (Mêru) as its point,— protect you!
- (V. 2.) There was a ruler (called) king Samgama [I.], whose uncontrolled, high valour,—which was in conformity with the great pride of his renowned, powerful arm,—overclouded the unchecked fighting-power of hostile kings, (and) whose shining, excellent lotus-feet were worshipped by the great splendour of the rubies on the humbly bent heads of crores of princes.
- (Vv. 3 and 4.) From him were produced five heroic sons, as, formerly, the (five) celestial trees³ from the milk-ocean:— first, king Harihara; then, the ruler of the earth, Kampa; then, the protector of the earth, Bukka; (and) afterwards, Marapa and Muddapa.
- (V. 5.). Of these, king Harihara,—by whom the Sultan (Suratrana), who resembled Sutraman (Indra), was defeated,—ruled the earth for a long time.
- (V. 6.) His younger brother, king Kampana, whose name became true to its meaning, as he made the enemies tremble, 3 ruled the earth for a long time.
- (V. 7.) His heroic son was king Samgama [II.], just as Jayanta (was the son) of Jambharr (Indra), and as Pradyumna (was the son) of Śarngin (Krishna).
- (V. 8.) Ah! surely, Karna, the kalpa tree, and the celestial cow eagerly watch his compassionate glance, which fulfils the desires of supplicants.
- (V. 9.) It is because she is desirous of resting on his arm (and) unwilling to choose another, that, for a long time, the goddess of Victory enters battles and practises the vow of (walking on) the edges of swords.⁵
- (V. 10.) While, by the extensive spreading of his fame, the three worlds experienced supreme delight, the moon was successful in nothing but in causing the water-lilies to unfold.
- (V. 11.) "Here comes the glorious lord of both the Eastern and Western oceans, the disgracer of the wicked kings that break their promises, the destroyer of the armies of opposing

[।] Read पचि.

The author here uses the word kalpa for the celestial trees in general, though it is strictly applicable to one of them alone; see Amarakóśa, i. 1, verse 53. For a similar use of the word in the general sense, compare क्याइमायारिमचा इव अङ्गालाम्; Naishadha, canto xiii. verse 1.

The poet derives Kampana from kampayati, 'he causes to tremble.'

⁴ This verse implies that Samgama's donations were admired, but not equalled, by Karna, the kalpa tree, and the celestial cow, who are noted for their unbounded liberality.

⁸ The purport of this verse is, that Samgama II. had not to fight for victory, but that victory came to him of its own accord.

[•] This verse implies that the moon, which had hitherto pleased the whole world, was beaten in that respect by the fame of Samgama II, and served no practical purpose, but to induce the night-lotus to open its flowers.

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- kings, the lion to the troops of the furious elephants of the lords of elephants, horses and men." Thus do crowds of bards loudly (and) continuously proclaim his surnames in this world.
- (V. 12.) In order to give instruction in philosophy to that ruler of the earth, who possessed to such a degree as stated before the art to please (the world by possessing) all virtues, (and) whose fame was boundless,—the blessed Pasupati (Siva), who is an ocean of compassion, appeared in the form of Śrikanthanatha, inspiring (the king) with miraculous intelligence.
- (V. 13.) While this venerable person was expounding the truths of **Mahêśvara** (Śiva), (the conduct of the king was so righteous that) most of the ancient kings appeared to have been produced afresh on earth.
- (V. 14.) By the mere prostration at his feet, salvation (mukti) is in the reach of ascetics (yati); while, through austerities, nothing but exhaustion of the body is obtained.
- (V. 15.) His glances are the keys for opening the panels of the door of the path to final emancipation (kaivalya) to those who desire bliss in the other (world).
- (V. 16.) Once, when (his) beloved disciple, king Samgama [II.], waited upon him, the preceptor commanded him (as follows), with a glance which was full of great love:—
- (V. 17.) "It pleases me to urge you to bestow some agrahâra. Therefore, O king, grant some village!" 3
- (V. 18.) With folded hands (and) bent head, the lord of the rulers of the earth received this command of (his) preceptor.
- (V. 19.) On the shore of the Eastern ocean is a district (vishaya) of boundless greatness, called Pâka. The town (pura) called Vikramasimha resembles its front-ornament. At a distance of three yôjanas to the north of this lies the splendid village called Biṭṭarakuṇṭa. This (village) the king gave away, in order to please (his) preceptor.
- (V. 20.) In the Śâka year which was measured by the elephants (8), the mountains (7), and the suns (12),—(in figures) 1278,— in the (cyclic) year Durmukha, in the third month, on (the day of) a combination of the moon and the sun, at the anniversary (of his father's death?),—the glorious king Samgama [II.], who was anxious for the welfare of his elders, granted to thirty Brâhmanas who followed the conduct (prescribed) in the Vêdas, the village of Biṭraguṇṭa, in order to procure immortality to his father.
- (V. 21.) On this (village), which was famed on earth by the other name of Biṭragunṭa, (the king), who resembled a lord of ascetics, conferred the (new) name of Śrikanṭhapura.
- (V. 22.) As far as the land of Pûsalapâda, as far as the pond called Mallêkuṇṭa, as far as the neighbourhood of Pâpaṭapuṭa, and as far as the canal from which salt is produced;—6
- (V. 23.) The boundaries of this excellent agrahara in the eastern, southern, western and northern directions are thus successively declared.

¹ Similar birudas occur in many Vijayanagara inscriptions, e.g. in the inscription of Harihara I., Ind. Ant. Vol. X. p. 63.

² According to Beal's translation of the Si-Yu-Ki, Vol. I. p. 13, the Southern, Western, Northern and Eastern parts of India are supposed to be ruled over by four mythical monarchs,— Gajapati, Chhattrapati, Aśvapati and Narapati. The first, third and fourth of these are referred to in our text and in a number of inscriptions of other dynasties and periods, viz. in inscriptions of the kings of Kanauj (Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. pp. 9-13), of the Kalachuri kings (ibid. Vol. XVII. pp. 225 and 227), of the Chandellas (ibid. p. 230), and in certain forged inscriptions (ibid. Vol. VIII. p. 91).

³ The impolite manner in which the great man addresses the king, is intended as a specimen of the power which the preceptor possessed over his pupil.

^{*} i.e. on a new-moon day. See the Amarakóśa, i. 4, verse 8 :- अमानास्या तमानस्या दर्शः मूर्येन्द्संगमः.

⁵ Properly speaking, there were thirty shares, but only twenty-eight Brahmanas, the second and third of whom received two shares each; see verses 27 to 33.

Laranaprabhúti may also be the proper name of the canal.

- (V. 24.) There was a country (dêśa), called Muliki. In it is an excellent shrine of Puraripu (Śiva), named Pushpāchala. To the north of this, and on the pure northern bank of the Pennâ (river is) a rich village, called Simkêsari. The preceptor caused the king to give (this) away as a donative village.
- (V. 25.) As far as the river called Vakkarâ, as far as the Jambû hill, as far as the bank of the Bâdara river, and as far as Kêtanikuṇṭa;—
- (V. 26.) The foremost among virtuous men have to understand that such are the successive boundaries of this village in the four directions.

(Vv. 27-	33.)	List of	donees	:2_
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- (V. 34.) Let it shine in safety as long as the moon shall exist,—that agrahdra (called after) Srìkantha, which is ever pleasant to dwell in, (and) through which becomes celebrated the first (i.e. Brâhmana) caste, which is of good conduct, high-minded, free from disease, and of strong body, which is to be respected on account of perpetual goodness, and is the ornament of sacred places, which has appeared the bitter pain of the mind, and which resembles fire in splendour.
- (V. 35.) These verses were written on the plates of the royal edict (såsana) by the wise Bhôganātha, the court-jester (narma-sachiva) of king Samgama [II.], in order that Śrikantha-pura might prosper.

[Verses 36-41 contain the usual imprecations, and are therefore left untranslated.]

(Line 184.) Śri-Virûpaksha.

¹ The recipient of this gift was probably the Saiva temple at Pushpachala, which is mentioned in the first half of the verse.

² The pronoun tatra in verse 27 refers to Bitragunta in verse 21.

(V. 42.) In order to secure prosperity to Śrîkanthapura, king Samgama [II.] wrote on the plate the mantra 1 of five syllables, (which consists) of the name of (the god) Śrî-Virûpāksha.

(Line 189 f.) Śrikanthanatha. Prosperity! Great fortune!2

No. 5.— SATYAMANGALAM PLATES OF DEVARAYA II.

SAKA-SAMVAT 1346.

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This inscription is engraved on three copper-plates of $5\frac{3}{4}$ by $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches, which were "found hidden in a patta land, belonging to one Arunâchala Aiyar, in the village of Satyamaṅgalam in the Vêlûr (Vellore) tâlukâ," and kindly transmitted to me for examination by the Collector of the North Arcot district, Mr. H. Le Fanu, I.C.S. The ring on which the plates must have been originally strung, is missing. The inscription is in the Nandinâgarî alphabet and in Sanskrit verse; a few short passages in prose occur in lines 42 f., 51 f., and at the end of the last plate.

The inscription records that king Dêvarâya II. of Vijayanagara bestowed on eight Brâhmaṇas the agrahâra of Chiṭeyâṭyûru, which he had surnamed (Dêvarâyapura) after himself (verse 25). This village was situated in Ânda-nâḍu,³ a sub-division of Maratakanagara-prânta. The grant was made at the temple of Virûpâksha¹ on the bank of the Tuṅgabhadrâ river (v. 23). The date of the grant was Monday, the new-moon tithi of Âshâḍha in Śaka-Saṁvat 1346, the Krôdhi saṁvatsara (v. 24). Mr. Dikshit has favoured me with the following information regarding this date:—

"Amânta Âshâdha krishna amdvásyd of Śaka-Samvat 1346 expired, the Krôdhi samvatsara, ended on Tuesday, the 25th July, A.D. 1424, commencing on Monday, the 24th July, as late as 56 gh. 13 p. Ujjain mean-time. This is not the tithi in question, as the original has a Monday. Besides, Âshâdha was intercalary in this year, and its amávásyá ended on Monday, the 26th June, A.D. 1424, at 31 gh. 56 p. Ujjain mean-time. This seems to be the tithi in question, though the word adhika, "intercalary," is not added in the original. There was a solar eclipse on this date (26th June), though I have not ascertained whether it was visible in India or not."

The historically important part of the inscription is the genealogy of the first dynasty of Vijayanagara, which is given in verses 3 to 21. As in other inscriptions, Vadu of the race of the Moon is mentioned as the mythical ancestor of this dynasty. The first historical person is Samgama [I.] (v. 5). One of his sons was Bukka [I.] (v. 6), whose descendants are named in the same order as in a previously published inscription of Dêvarâya II.6 Besides, the new inscription mentions the names of the queens of Bukka I. and of his three direct descendants, and

¹ The word manu appears to be used here in its Tantric sense, viz. in that of mantra.

² The word "fortune" is repeated five times in the original.

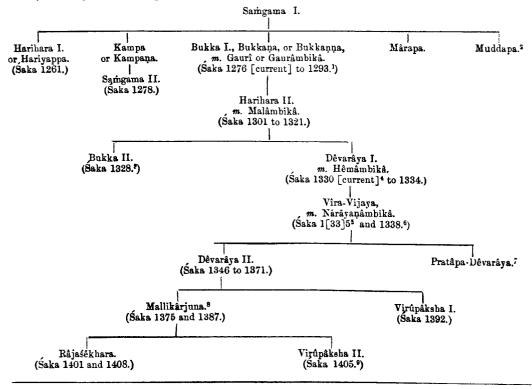
³ Other forms of this name are Âudi-nâdu and Âŭja-nâdu. To Âudi-nâdu belonged the village of Vêppambattu (in the Vêlûr tâlukâ); South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. pp. 80 and 131. A sub-division of Âūja-nâdu was the simá of Gudiyâtam (now the head-quarters of a tâlukâ); Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 132, verse 54.

⁴ This is the Pampâpati temple at Hampe; Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 363.

⁵ Colebrooke's Miscellaneous Essays, Madras edition, Vol. II. p. 256; Journal, Bombay Branch, R. A. S., Vol. XII. p. 372; Madras Journal of Literature and Science for 1881, p. 253; South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. pp. 156 and 160.

⁴ ibid. p. 160 f.

introduces a younger brother of Dêvarâya II., whose name was Pratâpa-Dêvarâya, and who, to judge from verse 21, appears to have held a high office, perhaps that of co-regent, under his royal brother. I subjoin a pedigree of the first Vijayanagara dynasty, in which I have entered the new details supplied by the present inscription, by an inscription of Samgama II. (ante, No. 4), and by other inscriptions which have been lately discovered:—



- ¹ In previous tables (Journal, Bombay Branch, R. A. S., Vol. XII. p. 339, and South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 161), Śaka-Samvat 1290 [expired], the Kîlaka year, was entered as the latest known date of Bukka I. Mr. Cousens has since furnished me with impressions of two subsequent inscriptions in the Kanarese language at Bhatkal, viz. a copper-plate of Vîra-Bukkarâya, dated in Śaka-Samvat 1291 [expired], the Saumya year, and a stone inscription of Vîra-Bukkanna-Odeyar of Vijayânagara (thus), dated in Śaka-Samvat 1293 [expired], the Virôdhikrit year.
- ² This Kanarese name was read by Colebrooke (Miscellaneous Essays, Madras edition, Vol. II. p. 257) as Mudgapa ('the protector of beans'), in which form it has found its way into Böhtlingk and Roth's Sanskrit-Wörterbuch, and from it into Sir Monier Williams' Sanskrit Dictionary.
- ³ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. No. 55. That this inscription has to be attributed to Bukka II. was first recognised by Mr. Venkayya; Madras Christian College Magazine for March 1892. Another Tamil inscription of Bukka II., dated in Saka-Samvat 1328, expired, the Vyaya year, is engraved on the east wall of the Nataraja shrine in the Ékâmranatba temple at Kanchi.
- Śaka-Samvat 1330, the Sarvajit year, is the date of a Kanarese inscription of Dêvarâya at Bhatkal, impressions of which I owe to the kindness of Mr. Cousens.
 - ⁵ See Mr. Venkayya's article, loc. cit.
- ⁶ This is the date of the Vandavåsi plates, which were published by Dr. Oppert in the Madras Journal of Literature and Science for 1881, pp. 249 ff. The inscription records the grant of the village of Chettupêdu in the kingdom (râjya) of Paḍabiḍu. This is the modern Paḍavêḍu in the Pôlûr tâlukâ of the North Arcot district; see South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 83.
 - 7 This name is taken from verse 21 of the present inscription.
- ⁸ On this and the two next kings see Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 321 f. and Madras Christian College Magazene, loc. cit.
 - 9 See my Annual Report for 1891-92, p. 9.

TEXT.1

First Plate.

- 1 भूयस्य भवतां भूत्ये भूयादासर्यं कुंजरः ।
- 2 विद्वारिविपनं यस्य विदुर्वेदान् पुराविदः ॥ [१*] ची-
- 3 मं व: प्रचुरीकुर्यात् चोणीमभ्युदद्वयं [।*] क्रोडा-
- 4 क्वतरभूदास्य क्रीडापल्वलमंबुधि: । $[ames ^*]^2$ श्रस्ति ची-
- 5 रार्णवोद्गतमपां पुष्पमनुत्तमं । श्रम्बानं यद-
- 6 निर्माखमाधत्ते शिरसीखर: । [३*] सदामोदनिधेख-
- 7 स्य संतानी यदुसंज्ञया । अभूदासर्थमाधुर्यं वसु-
- 8 धायास्तप:फलं । [४*] संगमी नाम राजासीत्सारभू-
- 9 ते तदन्वये । प्रजानां यः समस्तानां प्रमोदो मूर्ति-
- 10 मानिव [॥ ५*] सर्वरत्ननिधेस्तस्य संघाडासीत्तनृभुवां [1]
- 11 मध्ये बुक्तमहीपाली मणीनामिव कौस्तु(स्तु)भः । [६*]
- 12 ग्रहीनभोगसंसित्तरसौ राजसिखामणि: । गोप्ता इ-
- 13 रिहरं गौर्या कुमारमुद्रपादयत् । [७*] यः षोडशमहा-
- 14 टानमहासंटपकर्मणा । भवनं क्षतवान् सर्वे भु-
- 15 वनं कीर्तियीषित: । [द *] तस्य मलांबिकाजानि[र]दभूदुव-
- 16 तो गुणै: । प्रतापदेवरायाख्यः पुत्रः सुत्रामविक्र-
- 17 म: । [८*] कर्णतालानिलैर्यस्य करिणां समरांकणे⁵ ।
- 18 तुनुष्कास्तुरगारूढास्तूनानामभजं दशां । [१०*] देमां[बि]-⁷
- 19 कायां तस्यासीत्तनयो विनयीनत: । विद्यानिधि-
- 20 विंसेषज्ञी° वीरो विजयभूपति: । [११*] प्रतापकीर्तिल-
- 21 तयो[:*] प्रभोर्यस्य समिद्यो[:*] । पुष्पाणि °तटितस्तार[ा:*]

1 From the original copper-plates and ink-impressions of them.

² Verses 2 to 6, 8 and 11 resemble verses 2 to 4, 5a and 9b, 6, 8 and 11 of an inscription of Vira-Vijaya (Madras Journal of Literature and Science for 1881, p. 249 f.). Verse 7 is nearly identical with verse 17 of an inscription of Harihara II. (Colebrooke's Miscellaneous Essays, Madras edition, Vol. II. p. 264), and verse 14b with verse 19b of the same inscription.

³ Read शिखा.

[•] सर्प is the Kanarese form of the Sanskrit संख्य.

[!] Read समराङ्गणे.

[•] Read ⁰भजन्.

⁷ Read ऐमार्चि, as in the inscription of Vira-Vijaya, Madras Journal of Literature and Science for 1881 p. 250, verse 11.

⁸ Read विशेषज्ञी.

⁹ तटित् is the Kanarese form of the Sanskrit तडित्.

Second Plate; First Side.

- 22 पुष्पवंती च ती फले । [१२*] दयानिधेरभूत्तस्य देवी नारा-
- 23 यगांविका । शीरेरिव महालच्छी: गंकरखेव पार्व-
- 24 ती । [१३*] पुत्ररूपं तयो: श्लाघंर पूर्वजन्मतप:फलं । देव-
- 25 रायमहीपाली दाता विजयते भुवि । [१४*] कलिकालान-
- 26 लज्जालाजालग्नपितकंदकः । दानांनुधारया यस्य
- 27 भ्रियते धर्मपादप: । [१५*] यस्य प्रतापतपने यश्चद्रे
- 28 च जायति [।*] सदैव कमलीक्वास: सदा कुवलयोत्स-
- 29 व: । [१६*] क्रते पृथुरभूद्रामस्त्रेतायां द्वापरेर्जुन: । विभाति
- 30 य: कली घीर: चितावेकधनुर्धर: । [१७*] सींदर्यसार
- 31 कंदर्प सवीनंदे सुधाकरं । क्रीडारमेषु यं कर्णा
- 32 कीर्तयंति कवीम्बरा: । [१८*] राजाधिराजस्तेजम्बी यो रा-
- 33 जपरमेखर: । भाषातिलंघिभूपालभुजंगविरुदी-
- 34 ज्वलः । [१८*] मृत्रायरगंडांकः परराजभयंकरः ।
- 35 हिंदुरायसुरचाणी वंदिवर्गीण वर्ण्यते । [२०*] प्रतापदेव-
- 36 रायेण प्रख्यातेनानुजन्मना । म[इं]द्रस्थेव यस्य ची-
- 37 क्पेंद्रेख प्रकाशते । [२१*] श्रीतुंगभद्रापरिधे नगरे विज-
- 38 वाज्रये । पित्रं सिंहासनं प्राप्य 'सागरांताबाहीसवन् [।] [२२*]
- 89 पुरुषक्षोकाग्रणीः श्रीमान् देवरायमद्वीपतिः । तुंग-
- 40 भद्रानदीतीरे श्रीविक्पाचसंनिधी । [२३*] तत्वलो-
- 41 के ग्रकस्थान्दे क्रीधिसंवत्धरे ग्रुभे । त्राषाढामा-
- 42 तिथी पुंच्ये सीमवारविराजिते । [२४*] मरतकन-

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- 48 गरप्रांते । **पांदनाडाह्यये देश** चिटेयाट्यू-
- 44 इसंज्ञकं । ग्रामंत्तं नामधेयेण कलालं-
- 45 क्रतमात्मन: । [२५ *] निधिनिचेपवार्थश्रमसिद-
- 46 साध्यादिसंयुतं । ऋखंडं सीमिमि(ः)र्जुष्टं निक-
- 47 पाधिकमंचितं । [२६*] पाचंद्रतारकं धारापूर्व-
- 48 वं [द*] चिणान्वितं । अपहारममुं प्रादाद्वसुरेभ्यः

¹ Beed ⁰जसी.

² Read ⁰दीक्ववः.

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⁴ Boad सावराचां नहीं.

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⁸ Read बार्स सं.

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- 49 प्रतापवान् । [२७*] दत्तीयमग्रजन्मभ्यो देवरायम-
- 50 हीभुजा । याचंद्रतारकं भूमावयहार:
- 51 समिधतां ॥ [२८*] श्रस्य वृत्तिभाजीयजन्मा-
- 52 न: कथंते ॥ भारद्वाजकुलोत्तंस: क-
- 53 खादेवस्य नंदन: । 'स्क्याखापारग:
- 54 त्रीमान् शिंगपार्थी गुणीवत: । [२८*] प्राची नर-
- 55 द्वरि:*] त्रीमादागपी विठ्ठपः सुधी: । संकणार्यी
- 56 नरप[ति*]स्रिवेश्वभकोविद: । [३०*] शिंगपार्थस्य तन-
- 57 या: सहजा विनयोत्रता: । भारद्वाजो नरहरिर्वि-
- 58 रूपाच्चस्य नंदन: । [३१*] ^३रुक्शाखापारदृष्वानी भारदा-
- 59 जबुलीदश: । एकैकद्वत्तिभाजीसिवित्यंमष्टी
- 60 दिजोत्तमा: । [३२*] षष्टावस्थाग्रहारस्य वृत्तयः परिकृत्ति-
- 61 ता: । प्राचा[दि*]दिश्व सीमान: कथंते ध्रिमाषया ॥ [३३*]

Third Plate.

- 62 याभि: सीमाभिराप्तं इरिइयमहिमा दत्तवानग्र-
- 63 द्वारं (1) विप्रेभ्यो वेदविद्वारो विमलतरयया देवराय-
- 64 चितींद्र: । या बोकानोकप्रैनादखिनधरिषध्य-
- 65 स्तकंन्यस्तपादः (।) प्रीत्वा प्रवीं समस्तामवतु चिर-
- 66 मिमां दिन्त दीव्य[त्*]प्रताप: ॥ [३४*] एकेव भगिनी सीके
- 67 सर्वेषामेव भूभुजां । न भोज्या न करत्रां हा विप्रद-
- 68 त्ता वसुंधरा ॥ दानपालनयोर्भध्ये दानाच्छ्रेयोनु-
- 69 पालनं । दानालुर्गमवाप्रीति पालनादखुदं पदं ॥
- 70 खदत्तां परदत्तां वा यो हरेत वसुंधरा[म्*] । षष्टिर्द-
- 71 वैसहस्राणि विष्ठायां जायते क्रिमि: ॥ सामान्यी-
- 72 यं धर्मसेतुर्नृपाणां काले काले पालनीयों भव-
- 73 ब्रि: । सर्वनितान् भाविनः पार्थिवेदान् भू-
- 74 यो भूयो याचते रामचंद्र: ॥ त्री त्री त्री त्री त्री ॥
- 75 श्रीविरूपाच¹⁰ [॥*]

16 In Kanarese characters.

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⁴ Beed ⁰लम्हो.

⁵ Read 毫氧.

[ै] Read वजा.

⁷ Read याच्या.

⁸ Read Out.

⁹ Read वृष्टि व⁰.

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ABSTRACT OF CONTENTS.

Having invoked Ganapati (verse 1) and the Boar-incarnation of Vishnu (v. 2), the author gives the following genealogy of the first Vijayanagara dynasty:—

The Moon (v. 3).

His descendant, Yadu (v. 4).

His descendant, Samgama [I.] (v. 5).

One of his sons, Bukka [I.] (v. 6).

His son by Gaurî, Harihara [II.] (v. 7).

(Verse 8.) "By erecting spacious halls (for the performance) of the sixteen great gifts, he made the whole world (bhuvana) the dwelling (bhavana) of (his) wife, — (the goddess of) Fame."

His son by Malâmbikâ, Pratâpa-Dêvarâya [I.] (v. 9).

(V. 10.) "Through the wind (which was produced) by the flapping of the ears of his elephants on the field of battle, the Tulushka (i.e. Musalman) horsemen experienced the fate of cotton (i.e. were blown away)."

His son by Hêmâmbikâ, Vîra-Vijaya (v. 11).

(V. 12.) "The lightning (and) the stars (were) the flowers, and the sun and the moon (were) the fruits, of two burning creepers, (viz.) the valour and fame of this lord." 2

His son by Nârâyanâmbikâ (v. 13), Dêvarâya [II.] (v. 14).

He bore the surnames (biruda) Rājādhirāja, Rājaparamēśvara, 'the disgracer of kings who break their word,' the disgracer of the three kings (of the South),' the terrifier of hostile kings,' and 'the Sultan (Suratrāna) among Hindû kings' (vv. 19 and 20).

- (V. 21.) "(His) glory is made resplendent by his renowned younger brother Pratapa-Dêvaraya, just as that of Mahêndra by his younger brother Upêndra (Vishņu).
- (V. 22.) "Having ascended the throne of (his) father in the city (nagara) called Vijaya, whose most is the holy Tungabhadra, (and) protecting the earth up to the oceans,—
- (V. 23.) "The foremost among the virtuous, the glorious king Dêvarâya [II.] (made the following gift) in the presence of (the god) Śrî-Virûpâksha, on the bank of the Tungabhadrâ river,—
- (V. 24.) "In the year of the Śaka (king), (which is expressed by the chronogram) tattvalôka (i.e. 1346), in the auspicious Krôdhi samvatsara, on the pure new-moon tithi of Âshâdha, which was distinguished (through being) a Monday.
- (V. 25.) "Having adorned by his own name (i.e. having surnamed after himself) the village called Chiteyâṭyûru in the country called Ânda-nâḍu, (a subdivision) of Marataka-nagara-prânta,5—

² The only remarkable point in this verse is the occurrence of the rare dual pushpavantau, 'the sun and the moon.' According to Sanderson's Dictionary, the same word is used in Kanarese in the form pushpavantaru.

¹ See Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 368, note 58.

³ Bháshátilanghi-bhúpála-bhujamga is a translation of the Kanarese term bháshege tappuva ráyara ganda. On this and on the next biruda see Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 363, and p. 369, notes 61 and 62. A similar obscene term is ráya-ráhutta-minda, 'the disgracer of the troopers of (hostile) kings;' Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 131, Plate iii.b, text line 19.

⁴ On this mode of expressing numbers see Ind. Ant. Vol. IV. p. 207, and Dr. Burnell's South-Indian Palæography, second edition, p. 79.

⁵ Maratakanagara is a vulgar form of Marakatanagara, 'the city of emeralds.'— Bate's Hindee Dictionary and Platts' Hindústánt Dictionary give both सरकत (markat) and सरक (martak). The form सरक for सरकत occurs also in the Ranganatha inscription of Sundara-Pandya; anto, p. 12, text line 3.

- (V. 26.) "Endowed with buried treasures, deposits, water, stones, actuals, outstandings, etc., undivided, up to (its) boundaries, unencumbered, beautiful (!),—
- (V. 27.) "For as long as the moon and the stars shall endure, with libations of water accompanied by presents (dakshinā), the powerful (king) gave this agrahāra to Brāhmaṇas.
- (V. 28.) "Let this agrahâra, which was given to Brâhmanas by king Dêvarâya [II.], prosper on earth as long as the moon and the stars shall endure!
- (Line 51.) "The Brâhmaṇas who received shares (vritti) of this (village), are specified (as follows):—" (1.) Kṛishṇadêva's son Śiṅgapârya (verse 29); (2. to 7.) Narahari, Nāgapa, Viṭṭhapa, Saṅkaṇārya, Narapa[ti] and Vallabha (v. 30), sons of (1.) Śiṅgapârya; and (8.) Virūpâksha's son Narahari (v. 31).
- (V. 32.) "Each of (these) eight Brâhmanas, who had thoroughly studied the Rik-śâkha and were descended from the race of the Bhâradvâjas, received for ever one share (vritti) of this (village).
- (V. 33.) "The eight shares of this agrahâra were (thus) settled. (Its) boundaries in the eastern and other directions are specified in the language of the country (i.e. in Tamil)." 2

In verse 34 the composer wishes a long reign to the donor, king Dêvarâya [II.]. Then follow four of the usual imprecatory verses, a five-fold repetition of the auspicious monosyllable irî, and the name of the god Śrî-Virûpâksha in Kanarese characters.³

No. 6.— BUGUDA PLATES OF MADHAVAVARMAN.

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The copper-plates which contain this inscription, were found in an earthen pot, buried in a field in the village of Buguda, in the Gumsûr tâlukâ of the Gañjâm district of the Madras presidency. On the 28th July 1890, they were sent to Dr. Hultzsch by Mr. E. C. Johnson, I.C.S., Collector of Gañjâm, and I now edit the inscription from the original plates and from excellent impressions, received from Dr. Hultzsch. The original plates will be deposited in the Government Central Museum, Madras.

The inscription is on three plates, each of which measures about $6\frac{3}{4}$ broad by $3\frac{7}{8}$ high, and the edges of which are fashioned slightly thicker than the rest, to protect the writing. The first plate is inscribed on one side only; the two others are inscribed on both sides. The engraving is deep and well done. A careful examination shows that these plates originally bore another inscription, the letters of which probably were beaten in to make room for the inscription here edited; but some letters of the older inscription may still be recognized, even in the ink-impression, especially on the second side of the second plate. The three plates are held together by a ring, which is about 3° in diameter, and on which is soldered a round seal, about $1\frac{3}{3}$ in diameter. The seal apparently contains some writing and an emblem; but both are too much worn to be made out with certainty. Before the plates came into Dr. Hultzsch's hands, somebody had attempted to remove the ring, and, in doing so, he had rudely cut the plates

¹ See Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 402, note 41.

³ The promised specification of the boundaries is omitted in the document itself, as in an inscription of Harihara II.: Colebrooke's *Miscellaneous Essays*, Madras edition, Vol. II. p. 261.

³ From No. 4, verse 42, it appears that the word *Srt-Virapáksha* was affixed to the charter by the king himself instead of his signature.

⁴ See Dr. Hultzsch's Progress Report to the Government of Mudras for May to September 1890, p. 2, No. vi.

from the ring-holes to the edges, and thus damaged some of the writing. With this exception, and except that four aksharas are broken away at the edges, the plates are well preserved.

The size of the letters is about $\frac{1}{4}$ ". The characters are Nâgarî, similar to, but more modern than, those of the Gôrâkhpur copper-plate grant of Jayâditya of Vijayapura.\footnote{1} The language is Sanskrit. Lines 31-41 are in prose; the rest of the inscription, excepting the introductory ôm svasti, is in verse. As regards orthography, the letter b is throughout denoted by the sign for v; the guttural nasal is used instead of anusvâra before the palatal sibilant, in ansubhih, line 2, prânsur, line 7, and in the word vansa, in lines 14 and 19; and the vowel ri is employed instead of ri in tribhuvana, line 6, and triyârshêya (for triyârshêya = tryârshêya), line 38. The language is simple, but not always correct; and though the general sense is plain enough, it is in one or two passages impossible to construe the words properly, and to make out with certainty what the writer exactly meant to say.

The inscription is one of the illustrious Madhavavarman (line 30), who, from his residence at Kaingôda (line 29), informs his officials and the people generally that, on the occasion of a solar eclipse, he gave the village of Puipina (line 36), which was in the Khadira pâṭṭaka of the Guḍḍa vishaya, to the Bhaṭṭa Vâmana (line 40), who was a son of Âdityadêva and grandson of Vâmana, and a student of the Taittirîya charana, of the Harita gôtra, and with the threefold pravara Ângirasa, Âmbarîsha² and Yauvanâśva.

After the words ôm svasti, the inscription opens with two verses, one of which invokes the protection of the god Sambhu (Siva), while the other glorifies the donor, here called the Rájêndra Mâdhavêndra. Verses 3-12 then give the genealogy of the donor. The first personage spoken of is Pulindasêna, 'famous amongst the peoples of Kalinga.' He. although endowed with many excellent qualities (a lofty stature, strong arms, a broad chest, etc.), did not covet sovereignty for himself, but rather worshipped Brahman, in order that the god might create a fit ruler of the land. And Brahman granted his wish, and created, apparently out of a rock, the lord Sailodbhava (verse 5), who became the founder of a distinguished family. In this family was born Ranabhîta (verse 6); his son was the lord of the earth Sainyabhîta (verse 7); in his family Yasôbhîta was born (verse 8); his son again was Sainyabhîta (verse 9); and his son was the powerful and pious prince Madhavavarman (verses 10-12). Beyond the indication that these chiefs ruled in the country of Kalinga, nothing of importance is reported of any of them. Verse 12 is followed by the formal part of the grant, the contents of which have been given above. Here I would only add that the list of officials, in lines 31-33. is a fairly long one, and that it includes officials termed antaranga, vaisvāsika, and pattalaka, who are not met with ordinarily. The formal part of the grant closes with the usual admonition not to disturb the donee in the enjoyment of the land granted to him, and is followed. in lines 42-49, by five of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses. The second verse. and evidently the third, fourth and fifth too, are stated to be a quotation from the Law of Manu (Mânava Dharma, line 44 f.). Another verse informs us that the grant was written by Upêndrasingha, the son of Kuṇḍabhôgin, marked3 (?) by Jayasingha, and engraved by Daddibhôgin. The inscription closes with the statement that the dûtaka for this grant was the pratihârin Gangabhadra.

The inscription is not dated, and I have not found the names of any of the chiefs mentioned in it in other inscriptions; nor am I able to identify the localities which are spoken of in this grant.

¹ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 169.

In the original this name is written Amvarhasha and Amvarsha.

The term of the original is lânchhita; I am not sure about the exact meaning of it. It occurs again in line 35 of the copper-plates of Vidyådhara Bhañja, where Dr. Råjendralål Mitra has translated (it by. 'marked (sealed);' see Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. LVI. Part i. p. 159.

TEXT.1

First Plate.

- 1 श्रों खस्ति [॥*] इन्दोर्डीतमृणालतन्तुभिरिव श्लिष्टाः करैः कोमलैर्व्व(र्ब्ब)-डाहिर-
- 2 [क्] णै समुरत्मण्मणे(णे) हिंग्धप्रभासोङ्भि: [।*] पार्व्वत्या[:] सकचग्रहव्यति-
- 3 करव्यावृत्तव(ब) सञ्जया गङ्गाश्वः ध्रुतिभिवभस्मकणिकाः शस्त्री-
- 4 र्ज्जटा: पान्तु व: ॥ [१'॥*] श्रीमानुचे(चै)र्यभस्तो गुरुरचलपते: चोभजि-• ঘ: च-
- 5 माया गन्भीरस्तोयराभेरष दिवसकराङ्गास्त्रदालीककारि(री) [।*] श्रा-⁵
- 6 द्वादी सर्वस्य चेन्दोस्तृ(स्त्रि)भुवनभवनप्रेरकश्चापि वायो राज-
- 7 [न्द्रः] क्याणुमूर्त्तिज्ज(र्ज्ज)यित कलिम[ल]चाल[नी] माधवेन्द्रः ॥ [२ ॥*] प्राहुर्मा-
- 8 हिभकरिप(पी)वरचारवा(बा)हु:*] क्रणाम्मसञ्चयविभेदविशालवचा[: ।*]
- 9 राजीवकोमलदलायतलोचनान्तः स्थातः कलिङ्गजनतासु पु-
- 10 लिन्दसेन: ॥ [३º ॥*] तेनेध्यं(खं) गुणिनापि सत्व(च)महता नेष्टं भुवो मण्डलं ग्र-
- 11 [क्रो]¹⁰ य: परिपालनाय जगत: को नाम स स्वादिति [।*] यू(प्र)-त्यादि-

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- 12 ष्टवि[भू]सवेन भगवानाराधित: ग्राम्बतस्तिचत्तानुगुणं विधित्सु-
- 13 रदिशहारदिशहाञ्का सयभूरि । $[8^{12} ext{ 11}^*]$ स शिलाशकलोद्भिदे 13
- 14 तेनाप्यालीका धीमत(ता) [।*] परिकल्पितसद्यः प्रभुः शौ(शै)लोद्ववः
- 15 क्रत: [ม นุ 15 แ*] श्रैलोद्भवस्य कुलजो रख्भीत भासीद्य(द्य)नासकत् क्रतभियां
- 16 दिषदङ्गनानां [।*] ज्योत्स्नाप्रवो(बो)धसमये खिधयैव सार्धमाकस्पितो

¹ From the original plates.

² Expressed by a symbol.

Bead °सींग्रीभ:.

⁴ Metre : Sardulavikridita.

⁵ This syllable, which makes the metre incorrect, should have been omitted.

Possibly the plate, which is damaged here, has 📆. 7 Metre: Sragdharâ.

^{*} Read VIVII- 9 Metre: Vasantatilakâ. 10 This akshara is almost entirely broken away.

¹¹ The aksharas रदिशहा are by mistake engraved twice ; read वहां खं.

¹³ Metre : Śārdûlavikrîdita.

¹³ Read ° इंदे. The exact construction of the first half of this verse is not clear.

¹⁶ Read of M.: 15 Metre : Sloka (Anushtubh).

- 17 नयनपद्माजलेषु चन्द्र: । [६1 ॥*] तस्वाभविद्वि'वु(बु)धपालसमस्य स्-
- 18 नु: श्रीसैन्यभीत इति भूमिपतिर्मिरि(री)यान् [1*] यं प्राप्य ने(नै)क प्रतिवै]-
- 19 [रि?]घटाविघ[हि]³लख(अ)प्रसादविजय(यं) सुसुदे धरित्री [॥ ७ ॥*] त-स्थापि वर्षे-4
- 20 य यथ(था)र्थनामा जातो यशोभीत इति चितीय: [1*] येन प्रकृढी-
- 21 [पि] ग्रुभैश्वरित्रैर्मृष्ट: कलङ्क[:*] कलिदर्प्यंणस्य ॥ [८ ॥*] जात: स तस्य

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 22 तनय: सुक्तती समस्तसीमन्तिनीनयनषट्टदपुर्खरीक: [1*]
- 23 त्रीसैन्यभीत इति भूमिपतिर्माहेभकुभस्थलीदलनदुर्भ-
- 24 लितासिधार: ॥ [८⁶ ॥*] जातेन येन कमलाकरवत् खगोबसुबीलि-
- 25 तं दिनक्षतेव महोदयेन [।*] संचित्रमण्डलक्चस गता: प्रणाशमा-
- 26 ग्रु द्वि[घो] ग्रह[ग*]णा इव यस्य दीस्या ॥ [१० ॥*] कालेयैर्भूतधात्री-पतिभिर-
- 27 पचितानेकपापावतारैबींता येषां कथापि प्रलयमभिमता की-
- 28 'तिपालि(ले)रजसं [।*] यज्ञैसीरखमेधप्रस्तिभिरमरा लिखतास्तृप्तिमुर्व्वी-
- 29 सुद्गारातिपच[च*]यक्तिपदुना चीनिवासेन येन [॥ ११° ॥*] केङ्गोदकत-
- 30 निकेत: शर्तिशाकरमरीचिसितकीर्त्ति: [i*] स श्रीमाधव[व*]मा रिपु-
- 31 मानविध[इ]न: कुश्रली ॥ [१२10 ॥*] गुड्डविषये श्रीसामन्तमङ्(हा)सा-

Third Plate; First Side.

- 32 11[म*]न्तमहाराजराज(जा)नवराजपुत्रदेखनायवान्तरङ्गकुमा-
- 33 11[रा*]मात्योपरिकतदायुक्तकविषयपतिवैद्यासिकपत्त-
- 34 सकादी¹² व्रा(ब्रा) ह्यणपूर्वे खनपदमन्थां स¹³ वर्त्तमानभविष[ती]

¹ Metre of verses 6 and 7 : Vasantatilakå.

³ Originally is was engraved, which has been altered to is.

The word विचाहि, which appears to be the reading of the original, must have been used here in the sense of विचात. The exact sense of the word प्रसाद in the following is not clear to me.

⁴ Read Tr. 5 Metre: Indravajra. 6 Metre of verses 9 and 10: Vasantatilaka.

⁷ Originally त्त्री was engraved. 8 Read खिलता°, or, perhaps better, खिला?.

Metre: Sragdhara. 10 Metre: Arya.

n These two aksharas are broken away.

¹⁸ Read oanदीन् ; after this one would have expected बाज्यपूर्वाञ्चानपदानन्वांस.

¹³ The sign of anuscara over AT is very faint.

- 35 व्यवज्ञारिकाः स[धा]रणान्यथाई दतेत्वोपदर्भयति ॥ विदि-36 तम्मा भवतामेतिह्वयसम्ब(म्ब)स्य(ज्ञ)खदिरपाइक(के) पुरुपिको
- 37 ग्राम[: स्व]पित्रोरात्मनच पुरुषाभिवृद्दये सूर्यग्रहोपरागेख तै-'
- 38 त्तरिचरणाय इरितकगोत: तयार्षेय श्राङ्किरसंवर्र्षपयीवनाश्वे-⁵
- 39 [ति?] ॥ युवनम्बवदम्बर्षवदङ्गिरोवत् वामणस्य नप्ता भादित्यदेवस्य
- 40 स्तु[:]⁷ भद्दवामण सलिलधारापूर:सरेण त्रकरीकृत्य प्रतिपादिः
- 41 तस्तदेवाम(मा)चन्द्रार्क्षकालमुपभुद्ध(श्वा)नानां धर्मागो(गौ)रवाव केनचिडिधा-
- 42 [त] वर्त्ततव्यं [$||^*$] भिप च [$|^*$] विद्युद्दिलासतरलामवगम्य स-

Third Plate; Second Side.

- 43 म्यक्¹ लोकस्थितिं यथसि सक्तमनोभिक्चै: [i*] नित्यं परोप-
- 44 क्रातमावरतैर्भवद्भिर्द्याभिराधनपरैरनुमोदितव्यं [॥ १३11 ॥*] उक्कच मान-
- 45 वे धर्मों [\mathfrak{l}^*] व(ब)हुभिर्व्वसुधा दत्ता राजिभ: सगरादिभि: [\mathfrak{l}^*] यस्य यस यदा भूमि-
- 46 स्तस्य तस्य तदां फलं ॥ $[१8^{12} \ \parallel^*]$ स्वदत्तां परदत्ताम्वा 13 यो **इ**रै(रे)त वसुन्धरां $[\ \parallel^*]$ स विष्टा(ष्टा) $[\ ui \]$
- 47 क्रिमिर्भूत्वा पितृभि: सच्च पचते ॥ [१५ ॥*] मा भूदणलयङ्का व: परदतेति14
- 48 पार्थि[वा]: [1*] स्वदानात् फलमानन्थं परदत्तानुपालन [॥ १६ ॥*] षर्छि(ष्टिं) वर्षसङ्-
- 49 स्नाणि स्वर्मों मोदित भूमिदः । श्राचेप्ता चानुमन्ता च तान्धेव नरके वसे[त्*] ॥ [१७ ॥*] जि-

¹ Read °रिष: साधार°.

² The three akshara; इतेखी are quite clear in the engraving and cannot be read in any other way. Perhaps something like प्रविध्यी was intended.

Read पाने.

^{&#}x27;From here the text becomes very incorrect. Ordinarily the donee would have been described thus: तैनिरीयचर्चाय हारितनीतायाङ्किरसान्वरीषयीवनाश्चित विषयराय वामनस्य नम् चादित्यदेवस्य सूनवे भहवामनाय. In the text, as we have it, तृयाषेय stands for व्याचेय (वियाषेय), 'containing three lines of Rishis,' which properly would qualify a pravara.

⁵ The vowel (\$\epsilon\$) of this akshara seems certain; but the first akshara (\$\epsilon\$i) of the next line is doubtful.

[•] This sign of punctuation is superfluous. The following words would properly be ध्वनाश्वदस्थित्इरसत्; they are the words which the donee would use himself at certain sacrificial rites, and they are quite out of place here.

⁷ This sign of visarga is doubtful.

8 Read 'YC'. This sign of visarga is doubtful.

9 It is difficult to say whether the first akshara should be read a or d; I believe that it is a. Akart.

kritya takes here the place of the ordinary idsantkritya or idsanatvina.

10 Read सम्मार्क.

¹¹ Metre: Vasantatilakå. 12 Metre from here up to the end: Sloka (Anushtubh).

¹³ Read ⁰दशां दा. 14 Read प्रदेशीय. 15 Read प्राचने. I should have expected फलसानवां.

No. 7.- MANDHATA PLATES OF JAYASIMHA OF DHARA

[VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 1112.

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I edit this inscription from an excellent impression, prepared by Mr. Cousens, Superintendent of the Archæological Survey of Western India, and sent to me by Dr. Hultzsch. The original plates are at Mandhata, an island in the Narmada river, attached to the Nimar district of the Central Provinces.⁴

The copper-plates, which are inscribed on one side only, are two in number, each measuring about 131" broad by 10" high. They are in a state of perfect preservation, so that the reading of the text, with perhaps the exception of a single akshara,5 is nowhere doubtful. Each plate contains fifteen lines of writing. The letters are boldly and regularly drawn and well engraved. In the lower part of the first plate, and the upper part of the second, there are holes for two rings. These rings had both been cut when the impressions were taken, and the seal which may have been on one of them, was not forthcoming. In the lower proper right corner of the second plate, however, there is a representation of Garuda, about 21 high by 23" broad, with the body of a man and the head of a bird, facing the left, and looking at a serpent which is held by his left hand.6 The average size of the letters is about 7". The characters are Nâgarî, and the language is Sanskrit. About twelve lines of the inscription (lines 1-2, 10-12, 22-28) are in verse; the rest is in prose. As regards orthography, the letter b is throughout denoted by the sign for v; the dental sibilant is used instead of the palatal in sirasa. line 1, vinasvaram, line 12, and sametas=cha and Amaresvare, line 14, and the palatal instead of the dental in śāśanêna, line 17; the guttural nasal is employed instead of the anusvāra in the name Jayasinha, in lines 15 and 30; and the same name apparently is written Jayasingha in line 6. Besides, it may be noted that the sign of the avagraha occurs twice, in orridd have sdrishta° in line 16, and vuddhva ssmad° in line 20.

The inscription is one of the Paramabhaṭṭāraka Mahārājādhirāja Paramēṭvara, the illustrious Jayasimhadêva, who meditated on the feet of the P. M. P., the illustrious Bhôjadêva, who, again, had meditated on the feet of the P. M. P., the illustrious Sindhurājadêva, who had meditated on the feet of the P. M. P., the illustrious Vâkpatirājadêva (lines 3-6); and

¹ Read °सिंहीत. I take the first word of the line to be विविता - वेविता. ² Read °सिंहेन.

³ Here one akshara, probably বা, is almost entirely broken away, and before it three syllables (perhaps মানত) have been omitted by the writer or engraver.

⁴ See C. Grant's Gazetteer of the Central Provinces, second edition, p. 257.

I mean the second akshara of the word read Makiula, in line 6.

⁶ Compare the facsimiles of the copper-plates of Bhôjadêva, Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 52, and of Udayavarman, ibid. Vol. XVI. p. 254.

it is worded in every particular exactly like, and cites the same verses as, the copper-plate inscription of Bhôjadêva, published in the *Indian Antiquary*, Vol. VI. pp. 53-55.

After two verses, glorifying the god Siva (Vyômakêśa, Smarârâti) and invoking his blessings, Jayasimhadêva, described as stated above, gives notice (in lines 6-17) to all officials and to the resident Pattakila and people of the village of Bhima, which belonged to the Maktula village (group of) Forty-two in the Pûrnapathaka mandala, that, residing at Dhârâ, he granted the said village of Bhima up to its proper boundaries (and inclusive of) the grass and pasture land, with the money-rent and share of the produce, with the uparikara and including all dues, to the Brâhmans of the pattasálá at the holy Amarêsvara, for food and other purposes. And (in lines 18-21) he commands the resident Pattakila and people to make over to the donees all due share of the produce, money-rent, and so forth, excepting what had been appropriated for gods and Brahmans; and admonishes the rulers that may come after him, to assent to and preserve the religious gift thus conferred. This formal part of the grant is followed (in lines 21-28) by five of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses. Line 29 gives, in figures only, the date,— the 13th of the dark half of Ashadha of the year 1112,— followed by the words svayam=ajma,1—showing that the order about this grant was delivered to the people concerned by the king in person, - and by the words "bliss (and) good fortune." And the inscription closes with the words: - "This is the own sign-manual of the illustrious Jayasimhadeva," which are also engraved (in line 15) at the bottom of the first plate.2

I am unable to identify the village of Bhîma, nor can I suggest any identification for the Maktulâ village group of Forty-two or the Pûrnapathaka mandala. Amarêśvara, which in a copper-plate inscription of Arjunavarmadêva³ is called Amarêśvaratîrtha, is near the island of Mândhâtâ, on the southern bank of the Narmadâ.⁴ As regards the Brâhmans of this place, in whose favour the grant was made, I do not know the meaning of the word paṭṭaśâlâ, which is compounded with the word brâhmanêbhyah in line 14 and can only suggest that, similarly to brahmapurî, it may denote an establishment provided by the king's favour for learned and pious Brâhmans.

The date of the grant, which must of course be referred to the Vikrama era, unfortunately does not admit of verification,⁵ and all that can be said with confidence about it, is, that for the expired *Chaitrâdi* year 1112, its European equivalent would fall in **A.D. 1055**, and for the expired *Kârttikâdi* year 1112, in **A.D. 1056**.

The importance of this inscription lies in this, that, with the date A.D. 1055-56, it gives us the name of the (Paramāra) king who was then ruling at Dhārā, and of whom no mention has yet been found in other inscriptions, and that, since this king Jayasimhadêva was the successor of Bhôjadêva, it furnishes a sure and fairly definite limit beyond which the reign of Bhôjadêva cannot have extended. According to both the stone and the copperplate inscriptions hitherto published, Bhôjadêva was succeeded by his relative Udayāditya; and it is perhaps correct to say that it was this king who put an end to the troublous state of affairs connected with Bhôjadêva's death. But the omission of Jayasimhadêva's name

¹ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 161, note 28.

² In this respect, too, the plates resemble those of Bhôjadêva.

³ See Jour. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. p. 27, line 5.

^{*} See the Gazetteer of the Central Provinces, p. 258.

⁵ The possible equivalents for the expired Chaitrádi year 1112 would be the 27th May and the 25th June (the day of the Dakshinôyana-samkránti), A.D. 1055; and for the expired Kârttikâdi year 1112, the 13th June and the 13th July, A.D. 1056.

⁶ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. pp. 346-47; Professor Bühler's edition of the Udaypur Praéasti, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. pp. 232-33; and my edition of the Någpur Praéasti, ibid. Vol. II. p. 181. Compare also Lassen's Indische Alterthumskunde, Vol. III. pp. 855 and 1168-69, for the king Jayachandra or Jayananda, who is reported to have ruled after Bhôjadeva.

from other inscriptions can be no reason for doubting the correctness and authenticity of the information conveyed by these copper-plates. In a similar manner, the name of Udayâditya's immediate successor, Lakshmadêva, is omitted from all inscriptions except the Nâgpur Praśasti; and that very Praśasti clearly intimates that some time elapsed between the reigns of Bhôjadêva and Udayâditya. The earliest and latest certain dates which we possess for Bhôjadêva, are Vikrama-Samvat 1078 = A.D. 1021, and Śaka-Samvat 964 = A.D. 1042-43, while for Udayâditya the only certain date is Vikrama-Samvat 1137 = A.D. 1080-81. For the interval between the two, our inscription now gives us a date in A.D. 1055-56, of the reign of Bhôjadêva's successor Jayasimhadêva. How long this king may have ruled at Dhârâ, it is impossible to say at present. Probably his reign was not a long one; and it also seems probable that Bhôjadêva's reign had come to an end not very long before the date of this inscription.

TEXT,2

First Plate.

- 1 भीं³ [॥*] जयित व्योमकेशोसी यसम्माय वि(बि)भित्ते तां । ऐन्दवीं सि(शि)रसा लेखां जगदीजां-
- 2 कुराक्षति ॥ तन्वत्तु(न्तु) वः स्मरारातेः कल्याणमनियं जटाः । कल्यान्त-समयोद्दामतिडद-
- 3 लयपिङ्गला: ॥ परमभद्दारकमञ्चाराजाधिराजपरमेश्वरत्रीवाक्वितराजदेवपादा-
- 4 नुष्यातपरमभद्दारवमहाराजाधिराजपरमेश्वरत्रीसिन्धुराजदेवपादानुष्यातपरम-
- 5 भट्टारकमहाराजाधिराजपरमेखरत्रीभोजदेवपादानुष्यातपरमभट्टारकमहा-
- 6 राजाधिराजपरमेश्वरत्रीजयसि[ङ्घ]देव: कुश्रली ॥ पूर्ण्यवक्रमंडले म[क्त]लाग्रा-
- 7 महिचलारिंग्रदन्तःपातिभीमयामे समुपगतान्त्रमस्तराजपुरुषान्त्रा द्वाणेत्तरान्य-
- 8 तिनिवासिपद्दिक्तलजनपदादीं समादिशत्यसु वः संविदितं । यथा श्रीम-द्वा(द्वा)राव-
- 9 स्थितरसाभि: स्नाला व(च)राचरगुरुं भगवत्तं(न्तं) भवानीपतिं सम[भ्य]स्थे संसारस्यासारतां दृष्टा
- 10 । ⁹वाताभ्वविभ्वसिदः वसुधाधिपत्थमापातमात्रमश्वरो विषयोपभोगः प्राचा-स्तृचा-

With the date of the present inscription, it may be doubted whether the date which is furnished for Udayaditya by an inscription at Udaypur (Vikrama-Samvat 1116 = Saka-Samvat 981; Jour. Am. Or. Soc. Vol. VII. p. 35), is really so valueless as it has been supposed to be.

² From an impression, prepared by Mr. Cousens and supplied to me by Dr. Hultzsch.

³ Expressed by a symbol. ⁴ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the next verse.

I am not quite sure about the actual reading of the akshara in brackets. Originally 使电 was engraved, but the proper right side of the 된 seems to have been altered. Read 使变.

[•] This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁷ The akshara in brackets might possibly he read ktra.

^{*} This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁹ Metre: Vasantatilakâ.

- यञ्जलविन्द्रसमा नराचां धर्मः सञ्जा परमञ्जो परलोकयाने 🛊 'ध्रमत्रंसार-11 चक्राग्रधा-
- राधारामिमां त्रियं । प्राप्य ये न दहुस्तेषां पश्चात्तापः परं फखं ॥ 12 इति जगती विनख(ख)रं
- खरूपमाकलय्योपरिलिखितयामीयं खसीमातृषगीचरयृतिपर्यन्तः 13
- सर्व्वादायसमेतस्व(स) त्रीत्रमरेख(ऋ)रे भागभीगः सीपरिकरः 14 व्रा(ब्रा)**डावे**भ्यः
- खहस्तीयं श्रीवयसिङ्गदेवस्त्र³ [#*] 15

Second Plate.

- मातापित्रोरात्मनस 16 भोजनादिनिमित्तं पुष्सययोभिवृद्यये
- चंद्राकीर्ण्डविचितिसमकासं यावत्परया 17 भक्ता गाग(स)नेनोदकपूर्व प्रतिपा-
- दित इति तिबवासिपद्दिक्त जनपदैर्ययादीयमानभागभोगकरिंद-18 मला
- स्थादिकं देववा(बा) प्राणश्कितवर्क्षमा[त्रा] अवणविधेयैर्भत्वा सर्व्वमेभ्यः समुपनित्रखं 19
- । सामान्यं चैतत्युख्यफलं वु(ब्)हा अबहंग्रजैरन्यैरपि भाविभोक्तभिरकाय-20 टत्तधर्मा-
- दायीयमनुमन्तवः पालनीयस ॥ उतं च । व(ब)हुभिर्वसुधा भुक्ता राजभिः 21 सगरा-
- दिभि: । यस यस यदा [भू]मिस्तस तस तदा फलं॥ ध्यानीय(इ) 22 दत्तानि पुरा नरेन्द्रेर्हाता(ना)-
- नि धर्मार्थयश्वकराणि । निर्माखवान्तिप्रतिमानि तानि को नाम साधुः 23 पुनराटदीत ॥
- ⁷चकाल्लक्रममुदारमुदाञ्चरिक्कर[न्धै]च दानमिदमभ्यनुमोदनीयं। लच्च्यास्त्रहित्त-24
- लिलवुदुदचंचलाया दानं फलं परयश:परिपालनं च ॥ 'सर्व्वानेतासाविन: 25 पार्थिवे-
- न्द्रान्ध्रयो भूयो याचते रामभद्रः । सामान्योयं घर्मसेतुर्न्पाणां काले काले पाल-26
- नीयो भवितः ॥ इति10 कमलदलाम्ब्(म्ब्)विन्दुलोलां त्रियमनुचिन्ख मनुषकी-27

¹ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

² Read ^०बेग्यो.

Bead "管管".

^{*} The anusvara of T is very faint in the impression.

⁷ Metre: Vamntatilaki,

⁵ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh). 8 Read व्याहर.

Metre: Indravajrå.

Metre: Pushpitågrå.

⁹ Metre : Édlini.

- 28 वितं च । सकलिमदमुदाङ्कतं च वु(बु)ङ्गा न हि पुरुषै: परकीर्भयो विलोग्या इति ।
- 29 । संस्वत्¹ १११२ श्राषाढविद १३ [।*] खयमात्रा । सङ्गलं सहाश्री:
- 30 श्रीजयसिङ्कदेवस्व² [॥*]

No. 8.— CHIPLUN COPPER-PLATE GRANT OF PULIKESIN II.

By J. F. FLEET, I.C.S., PH.D., C.I.E.

This inscription was first brought to my notice in 1884, by Pandit Bhagwanlal Indraji, who then had the original plates in his possession. It was his intention to publish it; and a paper on it, written by him, was sent to the Secretary of the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society: but it was afterwards lost, without being utilised. The impressions taken by the Pandit were indifferent; and, though his reading of the text had passed through my hands, I had not kept a copy of it. In 1889, however, I found the original plates themselves in the Society's library. And, as it seems unlikely that, after so long a time, the Pandit's paper will ever be recovered and published, I now edit the inscription from them.

The plates, which were obtained from a cultivator at Chiplun, the chief town of the Chiplûn Tâlukâ of the Ratnâgiri District, are two in number, each measuring about 102" by 43". The edges of them were turned up, so as to form raised rims; and, except for some letters that are quite worn away in line 1, and a few that are rather illegible near the beginning of line 2, the writing is well preserved throughout. - The ring, on which the plates were strung, was accidentally destroyed by the cultivator who found them, in trying to clean them by the action of fire. Any seal that there may have been on the ring, was destroyed at the same time. The weight of the two plates is about 1 lb. 15 oz. The characters belong to the southern class of alphabets, and are of the regular type of the period to which the record belongs. The average size of the letters is a little over 1" The engraving is good, and fairly deep: but, the plates being rather thick, the letters do not show through on the reverse sides at all. The interiors of them are too much choked up with dirt or rust, for any. marks of the working of the engraver's tool to be visible. The language is Sanskrit; and, in addition to an opening verse in praise of Vishnu and seven of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses at the end, there is one verse in line 7-8.— In respect of orthography, the only points that call for special notice are (1) the use of the jihvamaliya in nripateh-kirtya, line 3, and yah=kaśchit, line 13; (2) the use of the upadhmaniya in vatapyah=prathama, line 2. varmmanah=putrah, line 3, janah=parigrihîta, line 5, yah=padam, line 8, bhûtah=parama, line 10, and sådhuh=punar, line 18; (3) the doubling of k before r in vikkram-åkkrånta, line 1, and vikkrama-kkraya-kkrîta, line 9; and (4) the doubling of dh, by d, before r, in °addhvar°, line 2.

The inscription is a record of the Western Chalukya king Satyaśraya-Pulikeśin II. And the object of it is to announce that his maternal uncle, the Sendraka Raja Śrivallabha-Senanadaraja, granted to a Brahman the village of Amravatavaka, and an allotment at the village of Avanchapali, in the Avaretika vishaya. The record is not dated; but the period to which it belongs is A.D. 609 to 642.

¹ Read संवत्-

तिहतिहितिम्बेमाताधिवानायानयां प्राव्याक्षित्रवृद्धे स्वयः स्वरंगी कृत्यवयाक्षित्रवृद्धित्रम्भक्षित्रवृद्धित्रम्भक्षित्रवृद्धित्रम्भक्षित्रवृद्धित्रम्भक्षित्रवृद्धित्रम्भक्षित्रवृद्धित्रम्भक्षित्रवृद्धित्रम्भव्यान् स्वयः स्ययः स्वयः स

ii.

TEXT.

First Plate.

- 1 Jayati² jagatâm vidhâtus=tri-vikkram-âkkrânta-sakala-bhuvanasya nata-na • na-• • • na-nakh-âmśu-jaṭilam padam Vishnôḥ [||*] Mânavya-sagô-
- 2 trân[â*]m Hâriti-putrânâ[m*] Chi(cha)lukyânâm=an[v*]avâyê Vâtâbyâ(pyâ)h= prathama-vidhâtur=anêk-âddhvar-âvabhritha-snâna-samârdri(rdrî)krita-puṇya-matti | 3 sarvva-
- 3 mangal-âyatanasya vallabha-nripatêh-kîrt[t*]yâ yuktasya Kîrttivarmmanah-putrah samanushthita-pati-dêvatâ-vratam Kamalâlayâ*-vipula-payô-
- 4 dhara-vipu(lu)pta-chandan-âlêpaḥ surêndra-mandira-gata-kinnar-ânganâ-patîyamânavimala-ki(kî)rttiḥ sva-radana-kuliśa-vibhinna-ripu-hṛiday-ô-
- 5 dgatâ(ta)-rudhira-dhârâ-snapita-mastaka-matta-mâtang-ôdaya-parvvata-taruṇa-raviḥ ni-gṛihîta-dushṭa-janaḥ=parigṛihîta-vidvat-sahô(khô)=nu-
- 6 grihîta-bhritya-varggah kara-gata-khadg-ôttritta-para-nripa-danti-dant-ôtthita-vahni-śikhôddîpita-raṇabhûmir=vvara-yuvati-nayana-sâyak-ai-
- 7 ka-lakshô vividha-śâstr-ârttha-tat[t*]va-vichâra-kshama-sûkshma-buddhiś=Chalukya-kula-tilakah sarvva-sad-guṇ-âśrayô ripu-daridraś=śrî-Satyâśrayô nâma [|*]
- 8 Yah⁵=padam nyasya śôtrûṇâ⁶ śauryyêṇ=ôpari pârtth[i*]vaḥ prakṛityâ puṁśchalîm Lakshmîm satî-vratam=aśikshayat [||*] Sa mahîpatir=Avarêtikâ-vima(sha)ya-vâsinas=sa-
- 9 mâjüâpayati yath=Âyam mama mâtulas=samadhigat-âryya-mârgga unmârggaḥ vikkrama-kkraya-kkrîta-viśâla-kîrtti-vitâna-naddha-sarvva-digantara[h*]
- 10 **S**êndrakâṇâṁ tilakabhûṭaḥ=paramamâhêśvaraś=**Śrîvallabha-S**ênânandarâjas=téna râjñâ⁸ mâtâpitrôr=âtmanaś=cha puṇy-ôpachay-ârttha[ṁ*]

Second Plate.

- 11 Âtrêya-sagôtrâya Kṛishṇasvâmi-sûnavê Mma(ma)hêśvarây=êshṭa-yajñ[â*]ya Âmravaṭa-vaka-grāmô tathâ Vâ(? châ)rubennâyâm

 Avañchapalyâm¹0 vi[m*]śati-
- 12 ś=châṭa-bhaṭa-dûta-râjapurumâ(shâ)ṇâm=apravêśanîyam dvayam=êtat=prâdât [|*] Vidit[â*]s^11=santu râjânas=sarrv[ê*] mad-vamśa-
- 13 sambhavâh anyê cha prithivî-pâlâs=sâmantâś=cha mahîtalêh 12 Yah=kaśchit=pṛithivî-pâlô bhôgam=asya nivârayêt
- 14 mahatâm pâtakânân=tu karttus=tasya phalam bhavêt [||*] Uktam cha | Bahubhir=vvasudhâ bhuktâ râjabhis=Sagar-âdibhih yasya
- 15 yasya yadâ bhûmis=tasya tasya tadâ phalam || Shashtim varsha-sahasrâni svarggê môdati bhûmi-dah âchchhêttâ ch=ânumant[â*] cha
- 16 tâny=êva narakê vasêt [||*] Pûrvva-dattâm dvijâtibhyô yatnâd=raksha Yudhishthirah¹³ mahîm mahimat[â*]m śrêshtha dânâch=chhrêyô=nupâlanam [||*]
- 17 Sva-dattâm para-dattâm vâ yô harêtâ vasundharâm śva-vishṭhâyâm kṛimir=vbhû(bbhû)tvâ pitṛibhis=saha pachyatêḥ¹⁴ Yâhiha¹⁵ dattâni purâ

² Metre : Âryâ.

8 Read mûrttêh (or matêh).

- * Read vrata-Kamalálayá °.
- 5 Metre: Ślóka (Anushtubh).
- 6 Read satrûnam.

- 7 Read mårgg-ömmårggah.
- 8 Read sa raja; unless pradat, in line 12, is altered into pradattam.
- 9 This word was omitted in its proper place, and stands in the blank space after the end of the last line. There is a cross-mark, to shew that it properly belongs here.
- 10 It would seem that, in the second syllable, vd was engraved, and then was corrected into va by partially cancelling the d.
 - Metre: Śloka (Anushtubh); and in the next five verses.
 - Read mahitale #. 13 Read Yudhishthira.
- 14 Read pachyatê H.

16 Read yan=iha. - Metre: Indravajrå.

I From the original plates.

- 18 narêndrair=dânâni dharm-ârttha-yasas-karâṇi nirbbhukta-mâlya-pratimâni tâni kô nâma sâdhuḥ=punar=âdadîta ||
- 19 Dhâla¹-krishtâm mahî[m³] dadyât=sa-bi(bî)jâm sasya-mâmlinîm² yâvat=su(sû)ryya-kritâ lôkâs=tâva[t³] svarggê mahîyatê ||
- 20 Svasty=astu lêkhaka-vâchaka-śrôtribhyah || Ôm ||

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.)— In the lineage of the Chalukyas, who are of the Mânavya gôtra (and) are Hâritiputras,— of Kîrtivarman (I.), the first maker of Vâtâpî, whose pious form was thoroughly well moistened by ablutions performed after celebrating many sacrifices, who was the abode of all auspiciousness, who was the king of favourites, (and) who was endowed with fame, the son (is)—

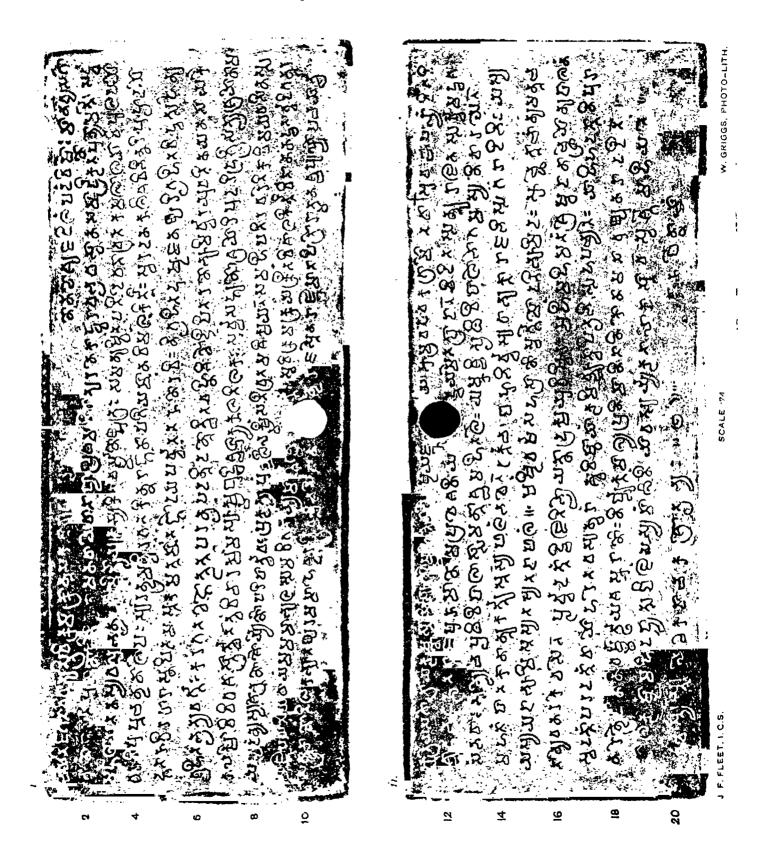
(L. 3.) - That ornament of the family of the Chalukyas, that asylum of all good qualities, that person who has but few foes, the glorious Satyasraya-(Pulikeśin II.) by name, whose besmearing with sandal-wood oil is rubbed off by (the clinging of) the bulky breasts of the goddess of fortune who practises (towards him) the vow of treating a husband like a god; whose pure fame plays the part of a husband towards the women of the Kinnaras in the hall of (Indra) the lord of the gods; who is a very sun just risen above the mountain of dawn which is (his) elephant, infuriated with rut, the head of which is bathed in the trickling stream of blood that flows forth from the hearts of the enemies which are cleft open by the thunderbolt that is its tusk; who punishes wicked people; who receives with hospitality learned people and friends; who confers favours upon servants; who has lit up the field of battle with the flames of the fire that rises from the tusks of the elephants of the hostile kings which are split by the sword that is held in (his) hand; who is the sole aim of the arrows which are the eyes of nice young women; whose keen intellect is capable of examining the essence of the meaning of various Sastras: (and) who, (indeed) a king, having bravely planted (his) footstep over (his) enemies, has taught the goddess of fortune, who is fickle by nature, the observances of a true and faithful wife.

(L. 8.)— He, the king, issues a command to the inhabitants of the Avarêtikâ vishaya to this effect:—"My maternal uncle, the ornament of the Sêndrakas, the most devout worshipper of (the god) Mahêśvara, Śrivallabha-Sênânandarâja, who has acquired (a knowledge of all) the proper and improper practices of noble people, (and) who has covered all the spaces between the quarters of the compass with the canopy of (his) fame that was purchased by the price of his valour,—he, the king, in order to increase the religious merit of (his) parents and of himself, has given to Mahêśvara, the son of Krishnasvâmin, of the Âtrêya gôtra, who has performed sacrifices, these two things, free from the right of entry by the irregular and regular troops, by messengers, and by the king's servants,—(viz.) the village of Âmravaṭavaka, and twenty at (the village of) Avañchapali on the (river) Vârubennâ.³ Let all kings, born in my race, and other rulers of the earth, and (all) feudatory chiefs in the world, be made to know (that) any ruler of the earth who may obstruct the enjoyment of this (grant),—to him will attach the penalty of one who commits the five sins."

¹ Read phála, or hála. - Metre : Šlôka (Anushtubh).

² Read málinim.

² Or, perhaps, Chârubennâ.— The text indicates an allotment of land, measured by twenty micartanas or some other measure so well known that it was thought unnecessary to specify it.



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(L. 14.)—And it has been said:—The earth has been enjoyed by many kings, commencing with Sagara; whosoever at any time possesses the earth, to him belongs, at that time, the reward (of this grant that is now made, if he continue it)! The giver of land enjoys happiness in heaven for sixty thousand years; (but) the confiscator (of a grant), and he who assents to (an act of confiscation), shall dwell for the same number of years in hell! O Yudhishthira, best of kings, carefully preserve land that has previously been given to the twice-born; (verily) the preservation (of a grant) is more meritorious than making a grant! Whosoever confiscates land that has been given, whether by himself or by another,—he is born as a worm in ordure, and is consumed together with (his) deceased ancestors! Those grants, productive of religion and wealth and fame, which have been formerly given here (on earth) by (previous) kings, (are) like worn-out garlands; verily, what good man would take them back again? He who grants land, (whether simply) ploughed, (or) planted with seed, (or) full of crops,—he is treated with honour in heaven, for as long as the worlds, created by the sun, endure!

(L. 20.)—Let prosperity attend the writer, the reader, and the hearers! Om!

No. 9.—TORKHEDE COPPER-PLATE GRANT OF THE TIME OF GOVINDARAJA OF GUJARAT.— SAKA-SAMVAT 735.

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I owe the opportunity of editing this inscription, which is now brought to notice for the first time, to the kindness of Mr. C. G. Dodgson, I.C.S. (Bombay), who sent me the original plates, for examination, in 1891. They were obtained from Dêvarâo bin Balwantrâo Kadambândê Jâhâgîrdâr, a resident of the village of Tôrkhêdê, in the Shâhâdê Tâlnkâ, Khândêsh District.

The plates are three in number, each measuring about $11\frac{5}{8}$ by $8\frac{1}{2}$. The edges of them were fashioned somewhat thicker than the inscribed portions, so as to serve as rims to protect the writing; and, though the plates have been a good deal corroded by rust, there are but very few letters which are not in a perfect state of preservation.— The plates are strung on two rings. One of them is about \(\frac{1}{4}\)" thick; and, though now bent out of shape, was probably originally circular, about 2½" in diameter: it has been severed; but it shews indications of having been soldered up, to make an actual ring. The other is about &" thick: part of it is roughly oval, measuring about $3\frac{1}{2}$ by $2\frac{1}{2}$; and it ends in two straight, pointed extremities, which were intended for soldering into a seal: the total length is about 51. The seal is not forthcoming. The weight of the three plates is 434 tolas; and of the two rings, 18 tolas: total, $452\frac{3}{4}$ tolas.— The characters belong to the southern class of alphabets, and are of the regular type of the period to which the record refers itself. It should be noted that two forms of l occur; they are both illustrated in lalita, line 10, and again in lallah, line 35. The average size of the letters is about \(\frac{1}{4}'' \). The engraving is good, bold, and fairly deep; but, the plates being substantial, the letters do not show through on the reverse sides. The interiors of some of them shew marks, as usual, of the working of the engraver's tool .-- The language is Sanskrit. There are two of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses in lines 47, 48, but, otherwise, there are verses only in lines 6 to 14. The language is mostly accurate: but the construction is bad in the passage that contains the names of the various grantees; and a corrupt or Prâkrit word, uchchharpana for utsarpana, is used in line 22 .- In respect of orthography, the only points calling for special notice are (1) the use of i, instead of the anusvāra, in oāisā, line 35; (2) the omission of a t, for metrical purposes, in jagatuiga, line 6: (3) the doubling of t before r in pauttra, line 18, matapittror, line 20, agnihôttra, line 22, sagdtra, lines 23 to 39 (except in the subsequent addition to line 39), puttra, lines 24, 25,

and dauhittra, line 35, but not in tri, line 23; and (4) the doubling of d before r, in bhumichchhiddra, lines 42-43, and bhaddra, line 44.

The inscription refers itself, in lines 5 and 6, to the reign of the Rashtrakûta king Prabhûtavarsha-Jagattunga-Gôvinda III.; 1 and, in line 12, to the time of his nephew and fendatory, Gôvindarâja of Gujarât. And the object of it is to record that a subordinate of Gôvindarâja, the Mahâsâmanta Buddhavarasa,2 of the Śalukika family, granted to some Brâhmans a village named Gôvattana, situated in an estate, belonging to him, which was known as the Siharakhi or Siharakkhi Twelve.

The date on which the grant was made, is the seventh tithi, called vijaya-saptamî (line 43), - the week-day is not mentioned, - of the bright fortnight of the month Pausha in the Nandana samvatsara, Saka-Samvat 735; the year being expressed both in words and in decimal figures. The samvatsara may be determined either by the mean-sign system, according to which it began on the 9th May, A.D. 812, in Saka-Samvat 735 current, and ended on the 5th May, A.D. 813, in S.-S. 736 current; or by the southern luni-solar system, according to which it coincided with S.-S. 735 current. In either case the given Saka year has to be applied as a current year. And, for the tithi, the corresponding English date is the 14th December. A.D. 812; on this day the tithi was current during all the daylight hours, and ended at about 31 gh. 10 $p_{..} = 12$ hours 28 minutes, after mean sunrise (for Bombay).

As regards the places that are mentioned, Sîharakhî or Sîharakkhî is very probably the modern 'Serkhi,' which, according to the Postal Directory of the Bombay Circle, seems to be somewhere close in the neighbourhood of Baroda. But I have no maps at hand in which to look for its exact position, and to see if any modern representatives of Gôvattana and its hamlet (?) Mêshuvallikâ can be found.

TEXT.

First Plate.

- Śaka-nripa-kâl-âtîta-samvatsara-śatêshu saptasu pañchatri(tri)msaty-adhikêshu Pausha-suddha-
- 2 saptamyâm=ankatô=pi samvatsara-satâni 735 Nandana-samvatsarê Paushah śuddha-
- 3 tithiḥ 7 asyâm samvatsara-mâsa-paksha-divasa-pûrvvâyâm [|*] Paramabhattåraka-
- 4 mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvaraḥ śarach-chhaśânka-kiraṇa-nirmmala-yaśô-nsukâvagunthi-
- 5 ta-mêdinî-yuvati-bhôktâ Prabhûtavarshah śrîvallabhanarêndrô Gôvindarâja-nâmâ ||
- 6 Jagatunga 5-tunga-turaga-pravriddha-rên-ûrddhva-ruddha-ravi-kiranam grîshmê=pi nabhô nikhilam
- 7 prâvritkâlâyatê spashtam |(||) Rakshatâ yêna niḥśêsham chatur-ambôdhisamyutam râjyam dha-
- 8 rmmêna lôkânâm kritâ tushtih parâ hridi |(||) Bhrâtâ⁷ tu tasy=Êndrasamâna-vîryyah śrîmâmn8=bhu-

¹ I take this opportunity of publishing a revised table of the Rashtrakûta dynasty of Malkhêd, with its Gujarât branches. The numbers prefixed to some of the names indicate the members of the family who actually reigned, and the order in which they succeeded each other.

² The termination of this name seems clearly to be the Kanarese arasa, 'a king.' The person, therefore, had probably migrated to Gujarat from the Kanarese country.

4 Represented by a plain symbol.

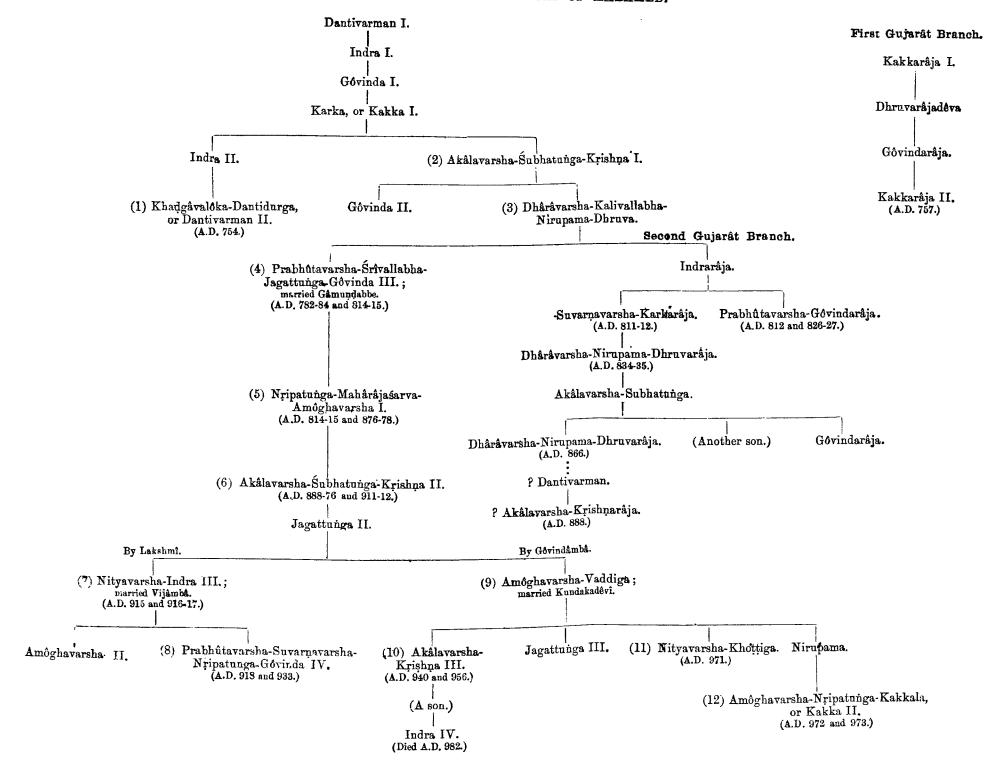
Metre: Arya. — At the beginning of the verse, jagatunga is used by metrical license for jagattunga.

[•] Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁷ Metre: Indravajrå.

⁸ Read ériman.

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- 9 vi kshmâpatir=Indrarâjaḥ śâstâ babhûv=ådbhuta-kîrtti-sûtis=tad-datta-Lâţêśvara-maṇḍalasya [||*]
- 10 Sûnur¹=bbabhûva khalu tasya mah-ânubhâvaś=śâstr-ârttha-bôdha-sukhalâlita-chitta-vṛittiḥ yô gau-
- 11 na-nâma-parivâram=uvâha pûrvvam śrî-Karkkarâja-subhaga-vyaya(pa)-dêśam=uchchaih [||*] [Su]-vṛisha²-sthô=
- 12 nujas=tasya satatam sévitô budhaih Gôvindarâjô bhûpâlah sâkshâch-Chhambhur=iv=â-
- 13 paraḥ [||*] Phal³-ônmukhair=âpatitair=vvidûrataḥ samam samantâd=guṇapaksha-pâtibhiḥ |

Second Plate: First Side.

- 14 mah-âhavê dâna-vidhau cha mârggaṇair=nna kuṇṭhitaṁ yasya sad=aiva mânasaṁ ||
- 15 Tad-datta-Siharakkhî-dvâdaśakê prabhujyamânê Śalukika-vikalankavamśa-prasû-
- 16 tô mûrddh-âbhishikiô duryvâra4-vairi-vanit-âtula-tâpa-hêtur=anêka-darppit-â-
- 17 râti-taru-prabhañjanô mâtariśvâ śarach-chhaśânka-kiraṇa-kundakusumasphatik-âvadâta-
- 18 samâna-nirmmala-yaś[â]ḥ śrî-**Ma**ṇiṇâ**ga-**pauttraḥ śrî-**Râjâditya-**sutaḥ paramabrahmaṇyaḥ
- 19 samadhigat-âśêsha-mahâśabda-mahâsâmantaḥ sô=yaṁ śrî-**Buddhavarasa**ḥ sarvvân=êva bhâvi-
- 20 bhûmipâlân=samanubôdhayaty=Astu vaḥ samviditam yathâ mayấ mâtâpittrôr=âtma-
- 21 naś=cha puṇya-yaśô-bhivṛiddhayê aihik-âmushmika-phal-âvâpty-arttham bali-charu-vaiśva-
- 22 dév-âgnihôttra-kratukriy-âdy-uchchha(tsa)rppaṇ-ârttham Badarasiddhi⁵-châturvvidya-sâmânya-
- 23 Vâjasanêya-Mâdhyandina-brahmachâri-tripravara-Lâvâyana-sagôt tra-brâ-
- 24 hmaṇa-Sômâya Sarvvadêva-puttrâya tathâ brâhmaṇa-Nâhara⁶ Gautamasagôttra Ma[h]ê-
- 25 śvara-puttrah tathâ Drôna Vârshnêya-sagôttra Śarmma-puttrah tathâ Sôma Kâtyâ-
- 26 yana-sagôttra Bappuka-sutah tathâ Lakutih Âgnêya-samâna-sagôttrah

¹ Metre: Vasantatilaka.

³ This akshara is rather an anomalous one,— between sha and sa. But I think that it is intended for sha; not for sa, by mistake for sha.— The word puzzled me. And I owe the reading of it to Dr. Hultzsch, who referred me, for an analogous expression, to Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 156, verse 13,— Hara ira vrisha-vihit-asthô.

³ Metre: Vamsastha.

⁴ Here we have a line in the Vasantatilaka metre,— evidently a quotation.— [The same line forms part of verse 6 of an inscription of Krishna II.; Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 54.— E.H.]

⁵ The first two syllables of this word are perfectly clear and unmistakeable; but the engraving of them is not quite complete,— owing apparently to the copper being particularly hard just here. There are other similar instances; e.g. in the b of śalda, line 19, the va of tripravara, line 23, the second va of névarécas, line 30, and the syllables rêva â, line 30.

From here, to line 39, the construction is careless and faulty.

Second Plate; Second Side. "

- 27 Sarvvadêva-sutah tathâ Sarvvadêva Mudgala-sagôttrah tathâm¹ Nêvah tathâ tat-sutô Gôva tathâ Bhâullah Vatsa-sagôttrah
- 28 tathâ Gôvasarmmah tathâ Aṇahâdityah tathâ Nasêṇah tathâ Gôvah Gautama-sagôttrah Drôṇa-
- 29 sutah tathâ Âditya Pârâśara-sagôttrah tathâ Limbâditya Âgnêya samâna-sa-
- 30 gôttraḥ tathâ Yôgaḥ Sa(śa)mḍila-sagôttraḥ tathâ Agniśarmmaḥ tathâ Nêvarêvaḥ Mudgala-sagôttraḥ
- 31 tathâ Nâgaḥ Mâdhara-sagôttraḥ tathâ Nâṇasaraḥ tathâ Rêvasamaḥ tathâ Bhâulla Yaugana-sagôttraḥ
- 32 tathâ Nêvâditya Bharadvâja-sagôttrah tathâ Îśvarah Kauśa-sagôttrah tathâ Bappasvâmi tathâ
- 33 Gôvasarmmaḥ Vârshņêya-sagôttraḥ tathâ Śivâdityaḥ tathâ Dêvahaṭaḥ tathâ Sîhaḥ Lâvâ-
- 34 yana(na)-sagôttrah tathâ Namnnah Kâtyâyana-sagôttrah tathâ Mâtriśurah tathâ Mahêśvarah
- 35 Âgnêya-samâna-sagôttraḥ tên=âtm-ânsô Nâina-dauhittrâya dattaḥ tathâ Lallah Bharadvâ-
- 36 ja-sagôttraḥ tathâ tasy=aiva bhrâtâ Jajjukaḥ tathâ Dattaḥ Saundâna-sagôttraḥ tathâ
- 37 Agnisarmmah Âgnêya-samâna-sagôttrah tathâ Nêvâdityah tathâ Sambaurah
- 38 Kauśa-sagôttrah tathâ Jajjukah Vârshnêya-sagôttrah tathâ Âdityah Gautama-sagôttrah
- 39 tathâ Âdityachîhallakah Sôma-sutah tath⁴=Âgniśa[r*]ma Mudgalasagôtra Rêva Âgnêya-samâna-sagôttra

Third Plate.

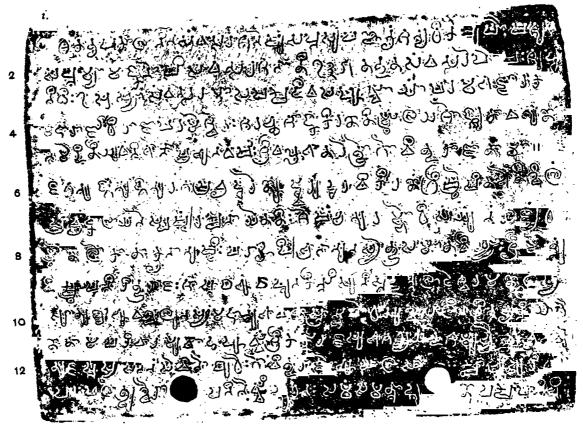
- 40 Sîharakhî-dvâdas-ântarggata-Gôvatṭaṇ-âbhidhânô grâmah sa-hira-
- 41 ny-âdânah sa-danda-dasaparâdhah sa-sîmâ-paryyantah sa-tîrtthah Mê-shu(?)valli-
- 42 kâ-prâvêśukah samasta-râjakiyânâm=a-hasta-prakshêpanîyô bhûmi-
- 43 chchhiddra-nyâyên=âdya vijaya-saptamyâm=udak-âtisarggêna pratipâditah [[*] yata-
- 44 s=tatô=sya na kaiśchid=vyâsêdhê pravarttitavyam=âgâmi-bhaddra-nripatibhir=apy=anityâ-
- 45 ny(ny)=aiśvaryyâny≈asthiram mânushyam sâmânyan=cha bhûmi-dânaphalam tad-apaharaṇa-pâpam

¹ Read tathá

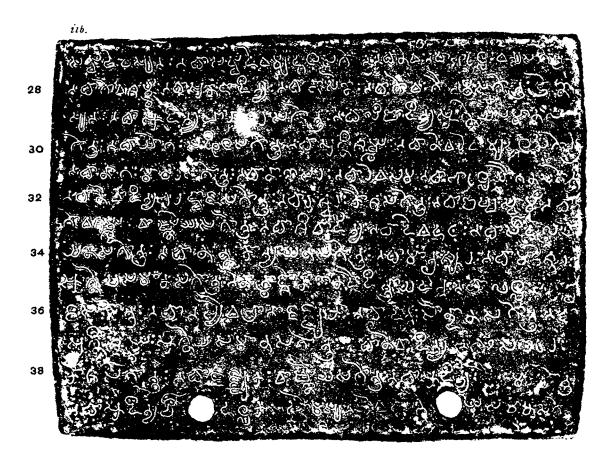
² The words tathá tat-sutó Góva stand above the line, and seem to have been added subsequently. There is no mark to shew exactly where they belong; but their intended place seems here, rather than after Bhaullah Vatsasagóttrah.

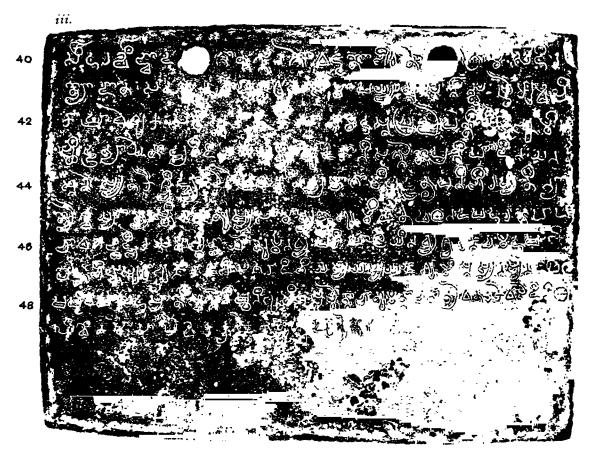
² Read Nannah.

The words $tath=Agnića[r^*]ma$ Mudgala-sagótra stand below the line; and the omission to double the t in sagótra seems to shew conclusively that they were added subsequently. Here, again, there is no mark to shew exactly where they belong; but their intended place seems to be where I have put them.









- 46 ch-âvagachchhadbhir-ayam-asmad-dâyô-numamtavyaḥ paripâlayitavyaś-cha [[*] uktam cha maharshibhih [[*]
- 47 Bahubhir =vvasudhâ bhuktâ râjabhih Sagar-âdibhih yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis=tasya tasya tadâ phalam [||*]
- 48 Shashtim varsha-sahasrâni svarggê tishthati bhûmi-dah âchchhêttâ ch= ânumantâ cha tâny=êva narakê vasêd=iti [||*] Ôm² |(||)
- 49 Likhitam mayâ lêkhaka-Krishnêna Nanna-putrêna!(||)

TRANSLATION.

Om! In seven centuries, increased by thirty-five (years), of the years that have gone by from the time of the Śaka king (or kings), on the seventh tithi in the bright fortnight of (the month) Pausha; or, in figures, the centuries of years 735, in the Nandana samvatsara, (the month) Pausha, the tithi 7 of the bright fortnight; on this (tithi), specified as above by the year (or samvatsara) and month and fortnight and day: 3—

(Line 3.)— (There is) the Paramabhaṭṭāraka, Mahārājādhirāja, and Paramēśvara, Prabhūtavarsha, the king of favourites of fortune, by name Gôvindarāja (III.),— an enjoyer of the young woman the Earth, who is veiled by a mantle, which is (his) fame, that is as spotless as the rays of the autumn moon. Even in the hot weather, the whole sky, in which the rays of the sun are obscured on high by the dense dust (raised) by the tall steeds of Jagattunga, distinctly looks as if the rainy season had come. (And) the greatest possible joy is produced in the hearts of men, through the manner in which he righteously rules the whole kingdom, together with the four oceans.

(L. 8.)— His brother, Indrarâja,— equal in valour to (the god) Indra; a glorious king on the earth; the source of the production of wondrous fame,— became the ruler of the province of the lord of Lâṭa, which was bestowed by him (Gôvinda III.).

(L. 10.)—His son was one of great dignity,—with a mind that revelled in the pleasure of learning the meaning of the Sastras,—who bore aloft, in the first place, the auspicious appellation of "illustrious Karkaraja," accompanied by a secondary name.

(L. 11.)—His younger brother (is) the king Gôvindarâja,— verily like another (god) Sambhu personified,— who abides in good morality, just as the god sits on the excellent bull (Nandi), (and) who is always worshipped by learned people, just as the god is by (the other) gods. His mind is never dulled, either in the height of battle by the arrows, tipped with (sharp) points, which, discharged from afar on all sides, graze the (very) string of (his) bow and the feathers (of his arrow), or in the rite of charity by suppliants, on the look-out for rewards, who assail (him) from afar on all sides through partiality for (his) virtues.

(L. 15.)—At the estate ⁵ (called) the Sîharakkhî Twelve, conferred by him, this person, the illustrious Buddhavarasa, a Mahâsâmanta who has attained all the mahâsabdas,—who has been born in the spotless Śalukika race; who has been anointed on the forehead; who is the cause of an unequalled fever, hard to be cured, among the wives of (his) enemies; who is a wind that breaks down numerous trees, which are (his) enemies, inflated with pride; whose pure fame (is) like the white colour of the rays of the autumn moon, or of a jasmine flower, or of a piece of crystal; who is the son's son of the illustrious Maninâga; who is

¹ Metre: Ślôka (Anushṭubh); and in the following verse.

² Represented by a symbol which is identical with one of the forms of the L merical symbol for 90.

The context is in line 19, - "This person, the illustrious Buddhavarasa, informs all future kings, " etc.

⁴ Or, perhaps, "aiming at (his) shield."

s prabhajy and sa. In the construction in which it stands, the word is not a very easy one to translate literally.

the son of the illustrious Bâjâditya; (and) who is extremely well-disposed to Brâhmans,—informs all future kings:—

(L. 20.) - "Be it known to you that, - for the increase of the religious merit of my parents and of myself; for the sake of acquiring a reward in this world and in the next; (and) for maintaining the bali, the charu, the vaisvadêva, the agnihôtra, the sacrificial rites, etc.,— the village named Gôvattana, in the Sîharakhî Twelve, with the (right of) taking gold, with (the right to) fines and (punishments for) the ten offences, with all that is included within the boundaries, with (its) sacred bathing-places, with (its) hamlet of (?) Meshuvallika, (and) not to be pointed at by the hand (of confiscation) of any of the king's people, has to-day, on the (tithi called) vijaya-saptami, been granted by me, according to the rule of bhûmichchhidra (and) with the pouring out of water, (to the following persons; vis.), - to the Brahman Soma, son of Sarvadeva, who belongs to the community of the Chaturvedins of Badarasiddhi, who is a religious student of the Vajasaneya-Madhyamdina (śákhá), who has an invocation of three original ancestors, and who belongs to the Lavayana gôtra; also, the Brahman Nahara, of the Gautama gótra, son of Mahesvara; also, Drôna, of the Varshneya gótra, son of Sarman; also, Sôma, of the Kâtyâyana gôtra, son of Bappuka; also, Lakuți, whose gôtra is the same with that of the Âgnêyas, son of Sarvadêva; also, Sarvadêva, of the Mudgala gotra; also, Nêva; also, his son Gôva; also, Bhâulla, of the Vatsa gotra; also, Govasarman; also, Anahâditya; also, Nasena; also, Gôva, of the Gautama gôtra, son of Drôna; also, Âditya, of the Parasara gôtra; also. Limbâditya, whose gotra is the same with that of the Agneyas; also, Yoga, of the Sandila qotra; also, Agnisarman; also, Nevarêva, of the Mudgala gotra; also, Nâga, of the Mâdhara gôtra; also, Nânasara; also, Rêvasama; also, Bhâulla, of the Yangana gôtra; also, Nêvâditya, of the Bharadvâja gôtra; also, Îśvara, of the Kauśa gôtra; also, Bappasvâmin; also, Gôvasarman, of the Vârshnêya gôtra; also, Śivaditya; also, Dêvahata; also, Sîha, of the Lâvâyana gôtra; also, Nanna, of the Kâtyâyana gôtra; also, Mâtrisûra; also, Mahêśvara, whose aôtra is the same with that of the Âgnêyas,— (and) he has given his share to the daughter's son of Nâina; also, Lalla, of the Bharadvâja gôtra; also, his brother Jajjuka; also, Datta, of the Saundâna gôtra; also, Agnisarman, whose gôtra is the same with that of the Âgnêyas; also, Nêvâditya; also, Sambaŭra, of the Kauśa gótra; also, Jajjuka, of the Vârshnêya gótra; also, Âditya, of the Gautama gotra; also, Âdityachîhallaka, the son of Sôma; also, Agnisarman, of the Mudgala gotra; (and) Rêva, whose gotra is the same with that of the Agnêvas.

(L. 43.)—"Wherefore, no one should behave so as to restrain this grant. And this, Our gift, should be assented to, and preserved by, future benevolent kings; understanding that riches are not everlasting, (and) that man's estate is uncertain, and that the reward of a grant of land belongs in common (both to him who makes it, and to him who continues it), and understanding also the sin of confiscating it.

(L. 46)—"And it has been said by the great sages:—The earth has been enjoyed by many kinge, commencing with Sagara; whosoever at any time possesses the earth, to him belongs, at that time, the reward (of the grant that is now made, if he continue it)! The giver of land abides in heaven for sixty thousand years; (but) the confiscator (of a grant), or he who assents (to an act of confiscation), shall dwell for the same number of years in hell!"

(L. 49.) - Written by me, the writer Krishna, son of Nanna.

¹ Or, perhaps, "to (his) daughter's son, Naina."

No. 10.— VANAPALLI PLATES OF ANNA-VEMA.— SAKA-SAMVAT 1300.

By E. HULTZSCH, PH.D.

The original of this inscription was "found by a workman while excavating some earth in an old site" in the village of Vanapalli in the Amalâpuram tâlukâ of the Gôdâvarî district. The find came to the notice of Mr. P. V. S. Gopalam, Pleader, Cocanada, who reported it to the Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Madras, on the 23rd May 1892. The plates were subsequently presented to Government by their owner, Vissapragada Krishnayya, and are now deposited in the Madras Museum.

The inscription is engraved on three copper-plates of 101 by 51 inches. The rims are slightly raised for the protection of the writing. The preservation of the plates is fairly good; on plates i.b, ii.b, and iii.a, some letters are partially eaten away by verdigris. The three plates are strung on a copper ring, which measures about $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter, and about $\frac{7}{16}$ inch in thickness. It is not soldered and can be detached from the plates by bending it asunder. Instead of the usual seal, the ring bears a well-carved recumbent figure of the sacred bull Nandi, which is about $1\frac{1}{8}$ inch long, and placed on a plain pedestal.— The alphabet of the inscription is Telugu, and the language Sanskrit. With the exception of a few words in lines 1, 49, 53, 57 f. and 65, the whole of the text is in verse. The signature of the king at the end of the document is in the Telugu language. - As regards orthography, the writer of the inscription follows the same system which is observed in other inscriptions from the Telugu and Kanarese countries. Thus, dhdh is written instead of ddh, if the letter dh is doubled either after r (e.g. in ardhdha for ardha, l. 47) or through samdhi (e.g. in sidhdha for siddha, l. 21, and udhdharan for uddharan, l. 1). Similarly, chhchh takes the place of chchh (e.g. in châmarachhchhatra for châmara-chchhattra, l. 35 f.). The letters k, g, d, t, d, dh, and v are sometimes doubled after an anusvâra (e.g. in lamkka, ll. 48, 52 and 61; amggana, l. 50; gamdda, l. 27; vimddamtte, 1. 37; bamdhdhu, 1. 26; and samvvatsara, 1. 41). A superfluous anusvara is sometimes inserted before double m, before double n, or before n followed by a consonant (e.g. in Immmadi, 11. 42 and 52; Amnna for Anna, 1. 40; and sâmâmnya for sâmânya, 1. 58). Further irregularities are, - bramhma for brahma (1. 50), anumrmma for dharma (1. 58), simhvasana or sihnasana for cimhasana (11, 20, 30 and 38), palaniyya for palaniya (1, 59), and uchchatê for uchyatê (l. 57). The unaspirated letter takes the place of the aspirate (e.g. in palaka for phalaka, 1.31, and bima for bhîma, 1.34); the sonant the place of the surd (e.g. in adha for atha, ll. 49 and 53), and vice versa (e.g. in phâla for bhâla, l. 7); and the dental n the place of the lingual n after r (in varnna for varna, l. 9, arnnava for arnava, l. 25, and nirnaya for nirnaya, 1. 49).

The plates record a grant by a member of the so-called Reddi dynasty of Kondavidu, a hill-fort in the Narasaravupêta tâlukâ of the Kistna district. The inscription opens with invocations of Vishnu in his Boar-incarnation (verse 1), Ganapati (v. 2), and the moon on the head of Siva (v. 3). It then refers to the creation of the world by Brahmâ at the command of Vishnu (v. 4), and to the fourth (or Sûdra) caste, which, like the river Gangâ, was produced from the foot of Vishnu (v. 5). A member of this caste was king Prôla (v. 6), who must not be confounded with the Kâkatîya king of the same name. His son was king Vêma (v. 7), who built a flight of steps and a hall at Śriśailam (v. 10), the well-known Śaiva shrine in the Karnûl district. Vêma had two sons, Anna-Vôta (v. 11) and Anna-Vêma

¹ Compare Wilson's Mackenzie Collection, Madras edition, pp. 79 ff.; Mr. Mackenzie's Manual of the Kistna District, p. 9 f.; and Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. pp. 118 f. and 187.

² ibid. Vol. I. p. 70 f.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 197.

⁴ According to the Kurnool Manual, p. 183, Ana-Véma-Reddi built two mandapas at Śriśailam.

(vv. 13, 16, 17, 18, 20 and 21), Ana-Vêma (vv. 19 and 28) or (in Telugn) Ana-Vêmu (1.65). The second of these resided at Koṇḍavîṭī (v. 14), i.e. Koṇḍavîḍu, and bore the surnames Jaganobbagaṇḍa (v. 13), Kshurikā-Kali-Vêtāla and Karpūra-Vasantarāya (v. 19). Two references to Hêmādri (vv. 9 and 11) show that his Dānakhaṇḍa was considered an authority at the time of the grant.

The immediate object of the inscription is to record that king Anna-Vêma granted a village as an agrahâra to a certain Immadi of the Lôhita gôtra (v. 21), who was the son of the minister Mallaya (v. 23) and appears to have been the minister (v. 22) and spiritual preceptor (v. 24) of the king. The date of the grant was the fourteenth tithi of the dark fortnight of Mâgha in the cyclic year Siddhârthin and the Śâka year 1300 (v. 21). The Siddhârthisamvatsara does not correspond with Saka-Samvat 1300, but with 1301 expired or 1302 current (A.D. 1379-80). Mr. Dikshit kindly informs me that the European equivalent of the date is Monday, the 6th February, A.D. 1380. The granted village was named Immadilanka (vv. 21, 24, 27 and 28) after the donee, and also Anna-Vêmapura (v. 24) after the donor. The western boundary of the granted village was the Gautami (v. 26), which may mean either the Gôdâvarî river in general, or its northern branch below the present Anicut. Mr. Gopalam, the discoverer of the inscription, remarks that Vanapalli, where the plates were found, "lies on the southern side of the Gautamî, a branch of the Gôdâvarî, and there is a hamlet called Immadivarilanka to the north of the village." The southern boundary of Immadilanka is stated to have been "a straight line (?) between a pipal tree on a platform (?) in the village of Prakhya and the house of Muggullasanda" (v. 25 f.). Mr. Gopalam says:- "There are two villages, called Prakkilanka and Muggulla, above the Anicut, and I entertain some doubt whether the inscription under enquiry relates to any grant near those villages." If this is really the case, the granted village of Immadilanka cannot be identical with the modern Immadivarilanka, which is not above, but below the Anicut. I am unable to say which of these two possibilities is correct, nor have I any means for identifying the boundaries in the east (Kriddêvî, v. 25) and in the north (Kondûrî and Kondepûndî, v. 26).

After the usual imprecatory verses follow two verses in which the composer of the inscription, Trilôchanârya, praises his own poetical merits (v. 28 f.). The document ends with an invocation of Siva and with the signature of the king.

TEXT.1

First Plate; First Side.

- 1 श्रविष्नमस्तु । श्रव्याद्विभुः किरिवपुर्भुवसुध्वरन्ध-²
- 2 श्रीवस्पटामणिमहासगतस्त्रविंवः । सुव्यक्तमात्रित-
- 3 जनाय तदादरेण स्त्रीयं विभाति कथयंनिव सर्वं-
- 4 गल[म्*] ॥ [१*] शंभीर्हारफणारतैः वर्त्ते हारं समुत्यु-
- 5 कः । तानि स्पुशन्' पितुर्व्वक्षं पश्चंन्⁵ पातु गजाननः [२*]
- 6 सा चंद्ररेखा जयित श्रीकंठस्य जटास्थिता । या यत्ते पार्व्व-
- 7 'तीफालफलकश्चियमुज्जलां ॥ [३*] विष्णोर्नाभिसरोजाताज्जात-

¹ From the original copper-plates.

² Read महर्.

^{*} Read स्कटामिणसहस्र ; स is corrected by the engraver from र.

⁴ Read सुश्रन्.

⁶ Read पर्यन्,

[·] Read धते.

⁷ Read WIE.

⁸ Read मुज्जसाम्.

- 8 सारसिजासन: । तदाच्चया जगतार्व्व ससर्ज सचरा-
- 9 चरं ॥ [8*] तत्र चतुर्शी वन्नैश्लीरे: पदपद्मसंभवी जयित ।
- 10 यस्य सहजा सवंत्ती तिभि: प्रवाही: पुनाति भु-

First Plate; Second Side.

- 11 वनानि ॥ [५*] तिमानभूदिंदुरिवांबुराशौ प्रोलिचितीशो जगर-
- 12 पानः । कळानिधेर्यस्य निजावतारस्रंत्तर्पणायैव सदा
- 13 बुधानां ॥ [६*] तस्य पुख्योदयाज्ञातस्युप्रतः प्रोत्तभूपतेः ।
- 14 वेमावनीखरी नाम पुख्यश्लोको नृपायणी: ॥ [७*] यिम[न्*] नृपे शास-
- 15 ति धर्माशीले महीत्सवान् प्राप्य महीवधूटी । स्तीयं
- 16 इरियंद्रनृपालमुख्यैविधोगदुःखं सहसा
- 17 सुमीच ॥ [८*] हमाद्रिदानान्यकरीदगेषाखभुङ्त भूमिं
- 18 दिजभुक्तग्रेषां । यस्रांततीसाप्त चकार तस्य किं वर्ण्य-
- 19 ते वेमविभीखरित्रं ॥ [८*] सीपानानि विधाय वेमन्टपतिः पाता-
- 20 ळगंगापधे स्तंभत्वं निजधमीशासनविधे: श्रीशैलमेवानयत् ।

Second Plate; First Side.

- 21 श्रास्थाने ⁸सुरसिध्यसंयिमगर्गरासेव्यमानसदा वक्कीस्तत्पुरु-
- 22 षादिभि: कवयते देवी यदीयं यशः ॥ [१०*] श्रासीदप्रतिमप्रताप-
- 23 महिमा हेमाद्रिदानव्रती वीरत्रीपतिरत्नवीतन्त्रपतिर्वेमचिती-
- 24 गालजः । बाहाखद्वयादशादसुमतीमेकातपत्रश्चियं यसके च
- 25 यश:प्रवाहनिवहैस्त्रैलोक्यमेकार्भवं ॥ [११*] जिला महीं जिश्रारिय स्त-
- 26 ग्रत्या दलाग्रहारान् धरणीसुरिभ्यः । कला कतार्भ्र्यः निजबंभ्रवर्म्मा
- 27 जने: फलं प्राप स भूमिपाल: ॥ [१२*] तस्यानुजन्मा जगनीव्वगंडड-
- 28 : कीर्त्तिपियो भूपतिरववेम: । वृत्तियदीया भुवि मातृकाभूध्यर्माा-12
- 29 13र्ध्वकामाचरणोद्यतानां ॥ [१३*] त्रीकोंड्डवीटीपुरिराजधान्यां सिंह्वासन-14
- 30 स्थे¹⁵ सति यत्न राज्ञि । मङीग्रसिङ्कासनवसङीद्रान्¹⁶ व्रजंत्ति सेथा¹⁷ इव वै-

¹ Read বৰ্ম:. ² Read ব্যান:. ३ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line. ১ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁴ Read ेमुङ्क. 5 The anusvdra stands at the beginning of the next line. 6 Read ेपये.
7 The group स्थ looks as if it consisted of स and भ. 8 Read सिंड. 9 Read ेकार्यवस.

¹⁰ Read ज्ञताथ. 11 Read बन्ध; the anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

¹⁵ The group स्थ looks as if it consisted of स and स. 16 Read सिंहासनवनाही धान्. 17 Read सेघा.

- ॥ [१४*] यत्खन्नपलकी क्काया स्पुरंत्यतिविनिमीला: । 31 रिभूपा: अनतचीणि-
- पालानां भाग्यरेखा इवाहृता: ॥ [१५*] तेनान्नवेमचितिपेन दान-**32** Second Plate; Second Side.
- चाबैकतानेन महोबतेन । चतुर्दिगंत्ता धरणी कतासीदपारिजाता च 33
- ॥ [१६*] खड्डी जिश्राप्रश्चि: काल: क्रव्यात्पाशी प्रभंजन: 34 सपारिजाता । श्रीदो बिमो-²
- धत्ते दिक्पालडंबरं ॥ [१७*] नेचिद्देशाधिपत्यं 35 ववेमस्य ग्रिबिकाचाम-
- ³रकक्रवशोभां केचिद्राच्यं स्वकीयं कतिचन विभवैरग्रहारानुदारा-36
- न । विंहंत्ते लोकरचाविधमहितमहाभागधेयेनविमचीणीपाले सभा-37
- यां सकलगुणनिधी रत्नसिह्वासनर्थं ॥ [१८*] चुरिकाकलिवेताळ: कर्पर-38
- वसंत्तरायविरुदांव: । निस्तीमभूमिदान[:*] श्रीनिधिरनवेमभूपति-39
- र्जयित ॥ [१८*] श्रंत्रवेमप्रबोर्झक्ती विबुधानां विभूतये । तस्मैव कीर्तये **40** जा-
- सरस्रती ॥ [२०*] ग्राकाव्दे तेषामपि 41 ता गगनाभ्रविखगणिते ⁸सिभ्राभ्रिंसंवसरे मा-
- कृष्णचतुर्दृश्रीशिवतिधी वीराववेमप्रभुः । प्रादादिंग्राडिलंकसं-10 42
- जमतुलं कलायहारोत्तमं ग्रामं लोहितगोवजाय विद्षे 43
- श्रीयिमाडींद्राय सः ॥ [२१*] नीतो संवीखरो विद्यागोष्ठीषु विव-44 धायणी[:*] ।

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- मित्रं हितोपदेशेषु भूभुजामिमाडीखर: ॥ [२२*] स यिंमाडींड्रस्यक-11 45
- ¹²लार्भ्भवेदी मानाधिको मज्ञयमंत्रिस्तुः । लब्धायहारं लसदंत्तरा-46
- त्मा प्रा[दा*]त्तदर्भ्वं धरणीसुरेभ्य: ॥ [२३*] वीराध्यापकमहितं 47 गौतमकचा-
- प्रवाहपरिवीतं । भाति बहुसस्यशोभितमिमाडिलंकं द्ववेमपुर-14 48
- मनघं ॥ [२४*] अध¹⁵ सीमानिनैय:¹⁶ ॥ क्रिद्देवीपश्चि[मा]श्वध्धाः¹⁷ प्राच्यां 49 याम्ये त

¹ Read फलके काया:.

² Read भीमी.

³ Read ⁰र्क्च. 4 Read सिंहासन.

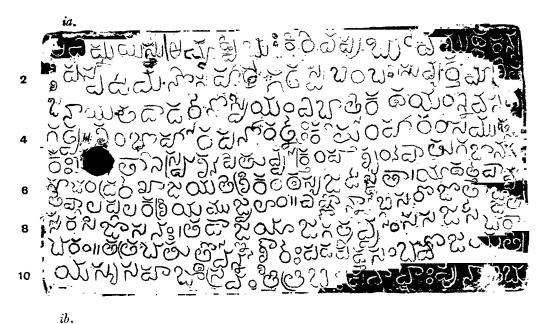
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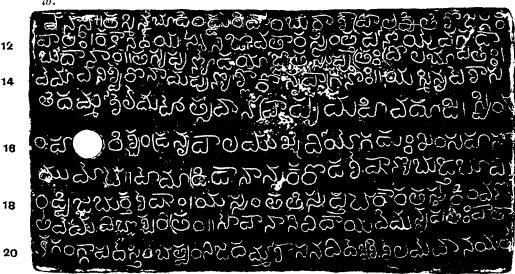
⁶ Read प्रभीर्लमीर्वि°. 8 Read सिडाधि. 9 Read तिथी. 10 The anusvára stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁸ Read स्थान.
11 Read इसर्डोन्ट्र: 12 Mean 16 Read निर्णय:

Pand निर्णय:. ¹³ Read ⁰दर्ष Pand निर्णय:. ¹⁷ Bead ⁰दरदा:.

¹³ Read [°]दर्भ. 14 Read [°]खडान्न°.





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- दिश्चे [।*] प्रस्थायामांगगणाव्यधमुगगुळ्ळसंदवेश्मनी: । [२५*] ऋज्वी या 50
- क्काया^{*} प्रतीचां दिशि गौतमी । उदीचामपि कींड्डूरी-51
- [२६*] सीमा इंम्राडिलंकस्थ 52
- श्रध³ पुराणवचनानि लिखांत्रे **53** [*es दानपासनयोगीध्ये पालनं 4
- यम: । दानात्खर्ममवाप्नीति पालनादच्युतं पदं ॥ 54
- खदत्ता[दृ*] द्विगुषं पुष्यं परदत्तानुपालनं । परदत्तापद्वारेष 55
- ॥ न विषं विषमित्याचु**ब्रं**ग्नस्तं विष-**खटतं निष्यलं** भवेत 56

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- 57 सुचते⁷ । विषमेकाकिनं हंत्ति ब्रह्मस्वं पुत्रपीत्रकं । राम-
- चंद्रेणोदीरितं च ॥ सामांन्धोयं धंर्मासेतं⁸ तृपाणां काली 58
- पालनिय्यो° भवद्भि[:*] । सर्वानवं भाविनः ¹⁰पार्ध्ववेंद्रान् भूयो 59
- ॥ श्रीम[त्*]तिलोचनार्यस्काविः याचते रामचंद्र: 60
- वंगदीपको जयति । अनवेमनुपतिदत्तस्येमाडिलंकस्य गास-61
- नं क्षतवान् ॥ [२८*] "महानटजटाक्कटानटदमंहमंहािकनीकल-62
- ¹²क्कार्यितकंक्षव्रजविजुंभिवाग्गुंभनः । कवि: कविकुलीक्न-63
- वी भुवनभव्यदिव्योदयिश्यवागमविशारदी जयति शार-64
- 65 दावलभ: ॥ [२८*] श्रीम[त्*]तिपुरांत्तक: । श्रनवेसु बालु ॥14

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Let there be freedom from obstacles!

- (Verse 1.) Let him (Vishnu) protect (you), the boar-shaped lord, whose image, while he rescues the earth (from the ocean), is reflected in the thousand jewels on the hoods of (the serpent) Sesha, (and) who (thus) clearly (and) emphatically demonstrates, as it were, his omnipresence to (his) devotees!
- (V. 2.) Let him protect (you), the elephant-faced (Ganapati), who, desirous of making a necklace of the jewels on the hoods of (the snakes which form) the necklace of Sambhu (Siva), is touching these (jewels) (and) looking at the face of (his) father!
- (V. 3.) Victorious is that sickle of the moon on the matted hair of Śrîkantha (Śiva), which possesses the luminous beauty of the smooth forehead of Pârvati.
- (V. 4.) The lotus-seated (Brahmâ), who was produced from the lotus on the navel of Vishnu, created the whole movable and immovable world at his (Vishnu's) command.

⁵ Read निप्पलं.

¹ Read [©]श्वत्थ.

² Read काया.

³ Read अथ.

⁶ Read [©]हर्बद्वास्तं.

⁴ The anusvdra stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁹ Read पालनीयी.

¹⁰ Read पार्धि°.

⁷ Read ^Cमुच्यते. n Read जटाइटा.

⁸ Read धर्मसेतुन्याचां.

¹⁸ Read वास्त्रका:.

¹¹ The anusvara of कंक्य is corrected from क. 14 The line ends with three symbols, viz. a lotus-flower, a square resembling a swastika, and a discus-

- (V. 5.) In this (world) is victorious the fourth caste, which was produced from the lotus-foot of Sauri (Vishņu), (and) whose sister, the river (Ganga), purifies the (three) worlds by (her) threefold course.
- (V. 6.) From this (caste), as the moon from the ocean, sprang king Prôla, the only protector of the earth, a treasury of knowledge, whose appearance always satisfied learned men, as that of the moon does the gods (whom she supplies with nectar).
- (V. 7.) In consequence of the good deeds (in former births) of this king Prôla, there was born (to him) an excellent son, called king Vêma, the virtuous chief of princes.
- (V. 8.) While this righteous prince was ruling, the goddess of the Earth witnessed great festivals and suddenly forgot the pain of her separation from king Harischandra and other (virtuous ancient kings).
- (V. 9.) How 1 can it be described, the conduct of the lord Vêma, who performed all the gifts (described by) Hêmâdri, 2 who enjoyed (only as much of) the earth as remained (after the deduction of that portion) which was enjoyed by the twice-born, (and) who produced the seven kinds of offspring?
- (V. 10.) Having built (a flight of) steps on the path of the Pâtâlagangâ, king Vêma converted Śrîśailam into a pillar (which records) his pious gifts. Being worshipped in the hall (âsthâna) by crowds of gods, demi-gods, and ascetics, the god continually proclaims his (the king's) fame by (his) faces, viz. that of Tatpurusha⁵ and the other (four).
- (V. 11.) King Vêma's son was king Anna-Vôta, the greatness of whose valour was unequalled, who was devoted to the gifts (described by) Hêmâdri, who was the husband of the goddess of heroes, who ruled the whole earth by means of the sword in (his) arm, and who converted the three worlds into a single ocean by the streams of the flood of (his) fame.
- (V. 12.) Having conquered the earth by his power, as Jishnu⁸ by his spear, having bestowed agrahâras on Brâhmaṇas, (and) having fulfilled the desires of the multitude of his relatives, this king obtained the fruit of (his) birth (i.e. he died).
- (V. 13.) His younger brother (was) king Anna-Vêma, (surnamed) Jaganobbagaṇḍa, who was beloved by (the goddess of) Fame, (and) whose conduct on earth became a standard for those who are engaged in the practice of virtue (dharma), wealth (artha), and pleasure ($k\acute{a}ma$).
- (V. 14.) While this king is seated on the lion-throne in (his) capital, the prosperous city of Kondavîțî, hostile kings, out of jealousy as it were, migrate to mountains which bear the lairs of very terrible lions.¹⁰

¹ Kim appears to be used in the sense of katham.

² Hêmâdri, the author of the Dânakhanda, was the minister of the two Yâdava kings Mahâdêva and Râmachandra; see Dr. Bhandarkar's Early History of the Dekkan, p. 88 f. Compare also Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 368, note 58.

s The seven kinds of offspring (samtana or samtati) are seven duties, whose performance is equally meritorious as the procreation of a son. They are thus enumerated in verse 43 of the Ganapésvaram inscription of Ganapati (No. 15 below):— संपादितैर्थयावस्नुतक्तिनिध्वनिविवाहसुरगेहैं:। स्तटाकैथ: सप्तिनिदे: संतानवान्सविवाह

According to Brown's Telugu Dictionary, this is "the name of that branch of the Krishna which flows past Śriśailam." See also the Kurnool Manual, p. 183.

⁵ According to Winslow's Tamil Dictionary, s. v. tarpurudam, this is "one of the five faces of Siva, indicative of his attributes as preserver."

⁶ It may be concluded from the second half of this verse that Vêma built a hall in the temple of Śriśailam.

⁷ Literally, "the earth which possessed the splendour of a single (royal) parasol."

⁵ This word appears to be used here as a name of the god Subrahmanya, whose attribute is the spear (iakti). In verse 17 it is used for Indra.

⁹ i. e. "the only hero in the world," Compare Brown's Telugu Dictionary, s. v. obba,

The real cause for this action of the kings was, of course, that they had to flee before Anna-Vêma.

- (V. 15.) On the blade of his sword glitter extremely bright images, which appear to be the annexed lines of fortune of kings who have refused to submit (to him).
- (V. 16.) This noble king Anna-Vêma, who is exclusively addicted to liberality and bravery, has made the earth up to the four points of the horizon free from the crowd of enemies (apa-ari-jâta), but at the same time endowed with the Pârijâta.²
- (V. 17.) The sword of Anna-Vêma bears resemblance to the regents of the points of the horizon, as it is victorious, bright, black, carnivorous, fettering, destructive, liberal, (and) terrible.³
- (V. 18.) While king Anna-Vêma, the treasury of all virtues, whose great fortune is praised (as he employs it) for the protection of the world, is seated in the $darb\hat{a}r$ on the jewelled throne, some people receive the sovereignty over a country ($d\hat{e}sa$), others the distinction of a palanquin, a $chaur\hat{i}$, and a parasol, others their (confiscated) kingdom, (and) others $agrah\hat{a}ras$, full of wealth.
- (V. 19.) Victorious is king Ana-Vêma, (who is also called) Kshurikâ-Kali-Vêtâla, who bears the surname (biruda) Karpûra-Vasantarâya, whose gifts of land are boundless, (and) who is a treasury of wealth.
- (V. 20.) The wealth of the lord Anna-Vêma exists (only) for the enrichment of learned men, and their eloquence for his glorification.
- (V. 21.) In the Śâka year reckoned by the atmosphere (0), the sky (0), and the Viśvas (13), (i.e. 1300), in the (cyclic) year Siddhârthin, in (the month of) Mâgha, on the fourteenth tithi, (which is sacred to) Šiva, of the dark (fortnight), this heroic lord Anna-Vêma granted the incomparable village of Immadilanka, the best of agrahâras, which he had founded, to the illustrious scholar Immadilanka, a descendant of the Lôhita gôtra.
- (V. 22.) Immadisvara (is) to kings the lord of ministers in politics, the chief of learned men in scientific discussions, (and) a friend in salutary counsels.
- (V. 23.) This Immadindra, who had studied all subjects, who was superior in honours, (and who was) the son of Mallaya-Mantrin, having received the agrahára, gave, with joyful heart, one half of it to (other) Brâhmanas.
- (V. 24.) Resplendent is the sinless Immadilanka, (alias) Anna-Vêmapura, which is honoured (through bearing the names of) a hero (and) a preceptor, which is surrounded by the current of the daughter of Gautama (i.e. the Gautamî river), (and) which is adorned with plentiful corn.
 - (Line 49.) The boundaries (of this village) are determined as follows:—
- (V. 25 f.) In the east, (a row of) pîpal trees on the west of Kriddêvî; in the southern direction, a straight line (?) between a pîpal tree on a platform (?) in the village of Prakhyâ and the house of Muggullasanda; in the western direction, the Gautamî (river); and in the north, the interval between the banyan-trees at Koṇdûrî and Koṇdepûndî.
 - (V. 27.) The boundaries of the village of Immadilanka are (thus) declared.

(Line 53.) Now quotations from the Puranas are written:—

[Three of the customary verses.]

² i.e. he was as liberal as the Pârijâta tree, which here takes the place of the Kalpa tree.

¹ The expression bhdgya-rekhd is probably borrowed from palmistry.

³ These eight adjectives are, at the same time, surnames of the eight regents of the points of the horizon.

⁴ This verse is intended for an account of the daily transactions in the king's court.

i.e. " (he who resembles) a Vêtâla in battle with (his) dagger."

⁶ This epithet suggests that the king used to take part in the celebration of the spring-festival (hôli), at which camphor and other substances are scattered about. Compare Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 370, note 64.

⁷ i.e. of king Anna-Vêma and of his preceptor Immadi.

(Line 57.) And Râmachandra has said :-

[Another of the customary verses.]

- (V. 28.) Victorious is the illustrious Trilôchanârya, the excellent poet, the ornament of a race of poets, who composed the edict (concerning) Immadilanka, which had been granted by king Ana-Vêma.
- (V. 29.) Victorious is the poet, who was born from a race of poets, whose brilliant career is a blessing for the world, who is learned in the doctrine (dgama) of Siva, who is the favourite of Sâradâ (Sarasvatî), (and) the stringing of whose words exhibits (i.e. resembles) the sweet-sounding spray of drops of the impetuous Mandâkinî (Gangâ), which dances on the coil of the matted hair of the great dancer (Siva).

(Line 65.) (Obeisance to) the blessed Tripurântaka (Siva)! The signature (vrálu) of Ana-Vêmu.

No. 11.- COCHIN PLATES OF BHASKARA RAVIVARMAN.

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Two editions of this inscription appeared in the year 1844, one by Dr. Gundert,¹ the great Malayâlam scholar who died only a few months ago in his native country, Würtemberg, and the other by the late Mr. Ellis.⁵ To Mr. Ellis' paper Sir (then Mr.) Walter Elliot added a tracing of the original copper-plates. In 1859 Kookel Keloo Nair published his own version of Dr. Gundert's translation.³ Dr. Burnell next gave a translation which was based on the two first versions, and which was accompanied by a bronzed reproduction of the original.⁴ Lastly, Mr. Logan's work on Malabar contains a reprint of Dr. Gundert's translation.⁵ His Highness the Second Prince of Travancore, who takes a warm interest in historical research, was good enough to send me a set of fresh impressions, from which the Plate at page 72 was prepared. The subjoined transcript and translation, though containing little new, will be welcome to those who are unable to use Dr. Gundert's and Mr. Ellis' papers. The transcript follows that by Dr. Gundert.⁶ The translation also agrees generally with Dr. Gundert's, though, in a few cases, Mr. Ellis' explanations were adopted as more probable.

The original of the inscription is in the possession of the Jews at Kochchi (Cochin). It is engraved on two copper-plates; the second side of the second plate is blank. A hole for the ring on which the plates must have been strung, is visible on the impression of each plate; but I have no information if this ring is still preserved and if it bears a seal. The character which is chiefly used in the document, is the Chêra-Pâṇḍya (Vaṭṭeluttu) alphabet. The only letter of this alphabet which calls for a special remark, is y. This letter has, throughout the plates, the same shape as in the Tirunelli grant; but once, in vâyanattâlum (line 7), the totally

¹ Madras Journal of Literature and Science, Vol. XIII. Part i. pp. 135 ff.

² ibid. Part ii. pp. 1 ff.

^{*} ibid. Vol. XXI. p. 42 f.

⁴ Ind. Ant. Vol. III. p. 334.

Malabar, Vol. II. pp. cxv ff.

The readings irnkkumads and persmads (line 14), udains (l. 16), and Vėnapali (l. 21 f.) agree with Mr. Ellis' text. For the numerous misprints in Dr. Gundert's paper, not the author, but the editors of the Madras Journal must be held responsible. One of these misprints, Coduntilir (p. 120), has crept into Hobson-Jobson, p. 211, s.o. Cranganore; the correct form Kodunnaliar is given in Dr. Gundert's Malaydiam Dictionary, p. 303.

7 See the facsimile Plate in the Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 290 f.

different form which is employed in the larger Kottayam grant, occurs. Just as in the two Kottayam grants, the Tirunelli grant, and the grant of Jatilavarman, Grantha letters are used in a number of Sanskrit words,—svasti (line 1), srî (l. 1 (twice) and 1. 20), sa of pirasâdichehu (l. 5) and pirasâdam (l. 6), sa of santati (ll. 16, 18, 19). In the foreign word Issuppu, the syllable ssu is expressed by a Grantha group (ll. 6 and 16). The inscription ends with a symbol which may be taken either for an ornamental mark of punctuation, or for an archaic Nâgarî sâ, which might be meant for srî. If the second eventuality holds good, the approximate period of the inscription could perhaps be settled by a comparison with dated records in which similar forms of sâ occur.

The language of the inscription is Tamil,— not the artificial language of literary works, but the Tamil of every-day life, which, as the language of the Tanjore inscriptions of the Chôlas, does not avoid vulgar forms, like pirasidichchu (l. 5) for pirasidittu, and añju (in Añjuvannam) for aindu. The word pedi (l. 7) is probably a vulgar form of pidi, 'a female elephant,' and vâyanam (l. c.) is derived from the Sanskrit vâhana. The form ippari, which occurs before each of the attestations on the second plate, appears to be a corruption of the Tamil ippadi, 'thus.' A single word shows that, at the time of the inscription, the Tamil language was beginning to develop into Malayalam. This is the adjective participle seyyinra (l. 26), in which the y of the root sey is assimilated to the following g, and which thus supplies the missing link between the Tamil seyginra and the Malayalam chevyunna.

The inscription is dated in the reign of king Bhaskara Ravivarman, who is probably identical with a king of the same name, during whose reign the Tirunelli grant was issued. The differences between the alphabets of the two records are not more considerable than might be expected in the case of productions of two different writers, who resided in localities at a distance from each other. The king bore the title Kôgônmai-kondân, which may be compared with the similar title Kônêrinmai-kondân,? and which is synonymous with the Sanskrit Râjarâja. The date of the inscription was "the thirty-sixth year opposite to the second year." As I have shown on a previous occasion,8 the meaning of this mysterious phrase is probably "the thirty-sixth year (of the king's coronation, which took place) after the second year (of the king's yauvardjya)." The inscription records a grant which the king made to Issuppu Irappân (Il. 6 and 16), i.e. Joseph Rabban. The occurrence of this Semitic name, combined with the two facts that the plates are still with the Cochin Jews, and that the latter possess a Hebrew translation of the document,9 proves that the donee was a member of the ancient Jewish colony on the western coast. The grant was made at Muyirikkôdu (l. 4 f.). The Hebrew translation identifies this place with Kodunnallur (Cranganore), where the Jewish colonists resided, until the bad treatment which they received there at the hands of the Portuguese, induced them to settle near Cochin.10 The object of the grant was Afijuvannam (Il. 7, 8, 15, 19). This word means 'the five castes' and may have been the designation of that quarter of

¹ See Sir Walter Elliot's tracing of this inscription in the Madras Journal, Vol. XIII. Part i.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 57.

^{*} In each of these three instances, two flourishes are attached to the left and right top of the monosyllable *fri. The first of these flourishes appears to be an inverted form, and the second the usual form, of the Pillaiyar-fuli, on which see Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 290, note 32.

⁴ The same form pedi and the slightly different form vâyinam occur in the larger Kottayam grant; Madras Journal, Vol. XIII. Part i. p. 128, text line 42 f.

⁵ Compare the remarks on the language of the Tirunelli grant; Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 286.

Compare Dr. Caldwell's Comparative Grammar, second edition, p. 383 f.

⁷ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. p. 110.

⁸ Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 289.

This translation was published by Dr. Gundert in the Madrae Journal, Vol. XIII. Part ii. pp. 11 ff.

¹⁰ See Dr. Burnell's interesting extracts in the Ind. Ant. Vol. III. p. 333.

Cranganore, in which the five classes of artisans, - Ain-Kammalar, as they are called in the smaller Kottayam grant,1— resided.9

The last plate contains the names of a number of witnesses of the transaction. Five of these were the chiefs of five districts (naqu) which must have been included in the dominions of Bhâskara Bavivarman. These were Vênâdu, Vênâpalinâdu, Êgâlanâdu, Valluvanâdu, and Nedumpuraiyûrnâdu. Vênâdu is the Tamil name of the Travancore country. Vênâpali is identified by Mr. Ellis with "Verapoli." Êrâļanâdu or, as it is called in the smaller Kottayam grant,3 Êrânâdu,4 is the territory of the Tâmûdiri (Zamorin)6 of Kallikkôttai (Calicut). Valluvanadu is still the name of a tâlukâ of the Malabar district. Nedumpuraiyûrnadu is the district of Pâlakkâdu (Pâlghât), and is probably identical with Puraigilânâdu in the Tirunelli grant.6 The last two names on the plate are those of the "sub-commander of the forces," and of the under-secretary who drafted the document.

TEXT.7

First Plate; First Side.

1	Svasti	śrî [[*] Kôg	gônmai	-koṇḍâ <u>ṇ</u>	kô	śr i-Pârkara n
2	Iravivaņ	mar		tiruv-e	.di	1	pala-nûr-âyira-
3	tt=åṇḍum	1	śengôl		nadattiy=â	lânin <u>r</u> a	yân-
4	du i	raņdām	=âṇḍaikk=6	dir	muppatt-	ârêm=ê	indu Mu-
5	yirikkôt	ţu	irund=aru	ļiya.	nâļ	pira	asâdichch=aru-
6	ļiya.	pirasâd	am=âvadu	[*]	Îssuppı		Irappânukku
7	Añjuvaņ	ņamun	1	pediy	/âlum		vâyanattâlu-
8	m.	pâguda	mum	Añjuv	anna-ppéru	ım.	pagal-vi-
9	ļakkum	pá	âv-âḍaiyum		andôlagamı	ım	kudaiyum

First Plate; Second Side.

10	77-3	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
	Vaduga-pparaiyu=magâ-kâlamu	m idn-badià	um tôraņamum tô-
11	raņa-vitānamum saravum ⁸	mikkum e	lubatt-irandu vidn-
12	pêrum kûda=kkoduttôm	[1*]	ulgun=tulâ-kkûliyu-
13	m viţţôm [*] marrum	nagarattil	kudigal kôyilkku
14	irukkumadu ivan irân	naiyum p	erumadu peravum
15	âga=chchepp-êttôdum seydu	• 1	[i*] Anjuvanna-
16		pânukkum	
17			Destrocket Will-
18	m peņ-makkaļai koņda 1	marumakkalk	kum santati-ppira-
19	kiriti ulagum sandiranum	ull-alavum	

Second Plate.

20	ntati-ppira	kiriti	[1*]	śrî	[##]	Ip	pari :	arivên	Vênâd-n-
21	daiya K	ôvartt	na-M	âttâņ	qaü	[*]	ippari	arivên	Vêniâl-

¹ Madras Journal, Vol. XIII. Part i. p. 117, plate B, line 1.

² Compare the Tanjore inscriptions, in which Kammanase-i or Enumdnaseri, 'the quarter of the Kammalar,' is repeatedly referred to; South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. No. 4. eragraphs 1, 2, 9, and No. 5, paragraphs 1, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 25.

² Madras Journal, Vol. XIII. Part i. p. 118, plate B, line 10.

⁴ The slightly different form Eranadu still survives as the name of a taluka of the Malabar district.

⁵ In Hobson-Jobson, p. 745, s. v. Zamorin, read Tamudiri for Tamatiri.

⁶ Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 291, note 39.

⁷ From an ink-impression received from His Highness the Second Prince of Travancore.

⁸ Read iaramum. 9 Read adaiya.

- 22 palinâd-udaiya Kôdai Śirikandan []*] ippari arivê-
- 23 n Ērālanād-udaiya Mānavēpala-Mānaviyan [|*] ippari
 24 ariyên Valluyanād-udaiya ¹Irāvaraā-Śāttan []*] ippa-
- 24 arivên Valluvanâd-udaiya lrâyarañ-Śâttan [|*] ippa-25 ri arivên Nedumpuraiyûrnâd-udaiya Kôdaiy-Iravi [|*] i-
- 26 ppari arivên skil-ppadai-nâyagam seyyinga Mûrkka-
- 27 ñ=Śâttan [|*] Van-Ralaisêri-Kkandan Kunrappôlan=âya 2kil-
- 28 vây-kkêlppân=eluttu [11]

TRANSLATION.

- (Line 1.) Hail! Prosperity! (The following) gift (prosada) was graciously made by him who had assumed the title "King of Kings" (Kôgôn), His Majesty (tiruvadi) the king (kô), the glorious Bhâskara Ravivarman, in the time during which (he) was wielding the sceptre and ruling over many hundred-thousands of places, in the thirty-sixth year after the second year, on the day on which (he) was pleased to stay at Muyirikkôdu:—
- (L. 6.) "We have given to îssuppu Irappân (the village of) Anjuvannam, together with the seventy-two proprietary rights, (viz.) the tolls on female elephants and (other) riding-animals, the revenue of Anjuvannam, a lamp in day-time, a cloth spread (in front to walk on), a palanquin, a parasol, a Vaduga (i.e. Telugu?) drum, a large trumpet, a gateway, an arch, a canopy (in the shape) of an arch, a garland, and so forth.
 - (L. 12.) "We have remitted tolls and the tax on balances.
- (L. 13.) "Moreover, we have granted, with (these) copper-leaves, that he need not pay (the dues) which the (other) inhabitants of the city 5 pay to the royal palace (kôyil), and that (he) may enjoy (the benefits) which (they) enjoy.
- (L. 15.) "To Issuppu Irappan of Anjuvannam, to the male children and to the female children born of him, to his nephews, and to the sons-in-law who have married (his) daughters, (we have given) Anjuvannam (as) an hereditary estate 6 for as long as the world and the moon shall exist. Hail!"
- (L. 20.) Thus do I know, Gôvardhana-Mârtândan of Vênâdu. Thus do I know, Kôdai Śrîkanthan of Vênâpalinâdu. Thus do I know, Mânavêpala-Mânavyan of Êrâla-nâdu. Thus do I know, Îrâyiram Śâttan of Valluvanâdu. Thus do I know, Kôdai Ravi of Nedumpuraiyûrnâdu. Thus do I know, Mûrkham Śâttan, who holds the office of sub-commander of the forces.
 - (L. 27.) The writing of the under-secretary 7 Van-Talaiseri-Gandan 8 Kunrappolan.9

¹ Read Irágirañ.
² Read ktį.
⁸ See ante, p. 67, vote 8.

⁴ As remarked by Mr. Ellis (l.c. p. 7 f.), the Tamil ulgu appears to be a tadbhava of the Sanskrit sulka.

This refers evidently to Muyirikkôdu (l. 4 f.).

These two words are repeated in the original (ll. 18 f. and 19 f.).

⁷ The literal meaning of vây-kkêlppân or, as it is spelled in line 132 of the unpublished Kaśâkûdi plates of the Pallava king Nandivarman, vâyi-kkêlppân, is 'one who hears (the words of) the mouth (of the king),' i.e. 'a secretary.'

⁸ i.e. "the bero of great Tellicherry."

s i.e. "the mountain-splitter," an epithet of the god Skanda.

No. 12.— THREE INSCRIPTIONS OF CHOLA CHIEFS.

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A .- BILVANATHESVARA INSCRIPTION OF VIRA-CHAMPA.

Saka-Samvat 1236.

This inscription is engraved on the south wall of a mandapa in front of the Bilvanatheśvara shrine at Tiruvallam in the North Arcot district. It consists of three Sanskrit verses in the Grantha alphabet and records the erection, by an ascetic named Jñânâtman (verse 1) or Jñânamûrti (verses 2 and 3), of the mandapa on which it is engraved. The funds for the building were provided by a chief, called Vîra-Champa, who was the son of a Chôla king (verse 1); and the erection took place in Śaka-Samvat 1236 (verse 2). The building received the name "Bhadra-maṇḍapa," i.e. the auspicious maṇḍapa (verses 1, 2 and 3), and the second name Nidrâvasânavijayi-maṇḍapa (verse 3), which was derived from a biruda of Vîra-Champa (verse 1). Jñânamūrti also built a shrine of Śiva, called Nâyaka-Śivâlaya, on the side of the maṇḍapa (verse 3). The name of this shrine may also refer to Vîra-Champa, and suggests that he was a Nâyaka or lieutenant of an unnamed king. Tiruvallam is referred to under the form Valla (verse 3), and its Śiva temple is called "the lord of Śri-Valla" (verses 1 and 2).

TEXT.3

- 1 निद्रा[प]य्थैवसानकालविजयी श्रीचीळभूपात्मजस्मर्जानाग्र विजित्स ग्र[त्रु]त्रपती-2 नाजी तटीयैंडेनै: [1*] श्रीवलाधिपतिक्षावस्य सस्तटं भटाइय-
- 2 नाजी तदीयैर्डनै: [।*] स्रीवज्ञाधिपतिश्चिवस्य सुखदं भद्राह्वय-3 माग्डपं ज्ञानात्माख्यतपिखना °प्यरचय[च्छी]वीरचम्पी नृप: — [१*]
- त्ंगत्रीकमकान्द्रभा[जि] समये त्रीज्ञानमूर्त्तिप्रभुक्षम्भोक्षास्रतम-
- 5 खुदारमकरोत् भद्रांह्वयम् मण्डपम् [।*] त्रीवज्ञाधिपते: फ[णी]न्द्रपरिवतख-
- 6 क्षीक्रकक्षोलिनीप्रालियांश्वकलापरिष्कृतजटावज्ञीसमृज्ञासिन: [॥ २*]
- 7 भद्राख्यमण्डपम[मं] विरचय्य श्रम्भोक्षिद्रावसानविजयीति च नाम कत्वा
- 8 नायकशिवालयमस्य पार्श्वे श्रीन्नानमूर्त्तिरतिसम्पदि वन्नपुर्याम् ॥ [a*]

TRANSLATION.

(Verse 1.) The glorious king Vira-Champa, who used to win victories at the time of the completion of sleep, 5 (and) who was the son of the glorious Chôla king,— having speedily conquered all the hostile kings in battle,— caused to be built with their treasures, by an ascetic, called Jñânâtman, a mandapa, named Bhadra (i.e. auspicious), which affords delight to Siva, the lord of Srî-Valla.

¹ No. 3 of 1890 in Dr. Hultzsch's Progress Report for October 1889 to January 1890,

³ From an inked estampage received from Dr. Hultzsch.

Read व्यर्चय°.

This curious epithet appears to mean that Vîra-Champa was so certain of his victory that he used to enjoy sound sleep before his battles.

- (V. 2.) During a space of time which fell in the Saka year (expressed by the chronogram) tungaśrika (i.e. 1236), the holy lord Jñanamûrti erected the everlasting (and) very lofty mandapa, named Bhadra, for Śambhu (Śiva), the lord of Śri-Valla, who is resplendent with a creeper-like coil of hair, that is adorned with a multitude of excellent serpents, the celestial river (Gangâ), and the crescent of the moon.
- (V. 3.) Having built this mandapa, named Bhadra, for Śambhu, and having bestowed (on it) the (other) name Nidrâvasânavijayi (-mandapa), the holy Jūanamūrti also erected on its side a shrine (âlaya), (called) Nâyaka-Śiva, in the very prosperous city of Valla.

B.—ARULALA-PERUMAL INSCRIPTION OF CHAMPA. Saka-Samvat 1236.

This short inscription ² is engraved on the outermost gopura of the Arulala-Perumal temple at Tiruvattiyûr (Little Conjeeveram). It is written in the Grantha alphabet and consists of one Sanskrit verse, and a few words in Sanskrit prose at the end. It belongs to the same Śaka year (1236) and to the same chief as the preceding inscription. This chief is, however, here called Champa, the son of Vîra-Chôla, while the other inscription calls him Vîra-Champa, the son of the Chôla king. The inscription was composed by Champa's minister Vanabhid, in order to record that the chief presented a new car to the temple. As in other inscriptions, the deity of the temple is here called "the god of the Elephant-mountain."

TEXT.4

1	तुंगश्रीकशरिक्यते	शक न्द्रपे	श्रीमान-
2	सौ	था खतिबद्रापर्य्वेवस	ानजन्यविज-
3	यी श्रीवीरचीळाल	मजः ॥ पुंसे	पुष्यर-
4	थद्मवं करि[गि]रि	स्थानाय दला	चिरञ्चम्-
5	पः पूर्णमनीरह	गी वि ज यते	विख्यात-
6	दोर्बिक्समः [॥*] त	व्यक्तिणा वनभिदा	मीतः॥

TRANSLATION.

In (the time after) the Saka king, which was measured by the years (expressed by the chronogram) tungasriks (i.e. 1236), the glorious Champs, who used to be victorious in battle at the completion of sleep, who was the son of the glorious. Vîra-Chôla, whose desires were fulfilled, (and) the strength of whose arms was well-known, gave a new (and) everlasting car (pushyaratha) to the god who resides on the Elephant-mountain. Let (him) be victorious for a long time!

(This verse) was composed by his minister Vanabhid.

¹ This name means "victorious at the completion of sleep," and is derived from the surname of Vîra-Champa which is noticed in the preceding note.

³ No. 51 of 1893 in Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1892-93.

³ See page 5 of the same Report.

^{*} From an inked estampage received from Dr. Hultzsch.

This is a slightly different form of the same biruda which occurs in verses 1 and 3 of the inscription A.

C.-JAMBUKESVARA INSCRIPTION OF VALAKA-KAMAYA.

Saka-Samvat 1403.

This inscription is engraved on the north wall of the second prâkâra of the Śaiva temple of Jambukêśvara on the island of Śrîraṅgam near Trichinopoly. It is referred to in Mr. Moore's Trichinopoly Manual (p. 341) and in Mr. R. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities (Vol. I. p. 267) as the only inscription in the Jambukêśvara temple, which contains a date in the Śaka era. It consists of eight lines in modern Tamil characters, intermixed with a few words and syllables in the Grantha alphabet. The language is very faulty Tamil.

The inscription records the grant of one veli of land in the village of Vadakarai-Venkönkudi to the god of Tiruvanaikka. The date of the grant was the day of Mahamagha, which fell on Sunday, the full-moon tithi of the month of Kumbha of Saka-Samvat 1403 expired, the Plava samvatsara. Mr. Dikshit kindly informed the Editor that the European equivalent of this date is Sunday, the 3rd February, A.D. 1482. The donor was the great provincial chief (mahamandaléśvara) Valaka-Kamaya, alias Akkalaraja, who bore the titles of "a Bhima among the Chôlas," "a Vishmu among the Chôlas" (Sôla-Narayana), and "the lord of Uraiyûr the best of cities" (Uraiyûr-puravar-ādhîśvara). Though it is very doubtful if he had any real connection with the ancient indigenous dynasty of the Chôlas, he claimed at any rate to be their rightful successor; and his name has been accordingly included in Dr. Hultzsch's preliminary list of Chôla kings. His title mahamandalêśvara suggests that he was a dependant, probably of one of the last kings of the first Vijayanagara dynasty.

TEXT.7

- 1 Subham=astu śvasti ⁸ śrî [||*] Sak-âptum ⁹ 1403 idan mêl śellân[i]nra Pilava-samvarsarattu Kumba-nâyarru pûruva-pakshattu pûrunaiyum Âditta-vâramum perra Magattu nâl Sim-
- 2 ha-Brahaspati-¹⁰ Mahâmaga-puṇya-kâlattilê śrîman-mahâmaṇḍalêśvaran Śôlar-Bîman Śôla-Nârâyaṇan Uraiyûr-pûrvvar-âthîśvaran ¹¹ Vâlaka-Kâmayar âṇa Akkalarâśar
- 3 nâyanâr alagiya Tiruvânaikkâv=uḍaiya nâyanâr kôyil ¹²Âdi-Saṇḍôśvara-dêvar-kanmigalukku kuḍutta tanma-śâdana-ppaṭṭaiyam [||*] Nâyanâr alagiya Tiruvânaik-
- 4 kâv=uḍaiya nâyaṇâr Vaḍakarai-Veṇkòṇkuḍiyil tiru-veṭṭai âga elund=arulugira tirunâl maṇḍapa-chchirappuk[ku]m nâchchiyâr Agilaṇḍanâya-

¹ No. 30 of 1891 in Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1891-92.

The village of Venkônkudi is mentioned in the Tanjâvûr inscriptions; see South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. p. 63. Vadakarai means "on the northern bank (of the Kâvêrî);" see ibid. p. 53, note 1.

^{*} Tiruvanaikka, "the sacred elephant-grove," is the ancient Tamil designation of the site of the Jambukésvara temple; see South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. p. 253.

^{*} According to the Tamil dictionaries, this town, which is now a suburb of Trichinopoly and the centre of the native trade in cigars, was the former capital of the Chôla kings. Ptolemy calls it already *Ορθουρα βασίλειον Σώρναγος. The Śaiva temple at Uraiyûr contains some ancient Chôla inscriptions.

⁵ See his Annual Report for 1891-92, p. 7.

⁶ An inscription of the Vijayanagara king Virûpâksha II., the son of Mallikârjuna, dated in Saka-Samvat 1405 expired, is found at Gangaikondaśćlapuram in the Trichinopoly district; see ibid. p. 9.

⁷ From an inked estampage received from Dr. Hultzsch.— Words which are written wholly or partially in Grantha letters, are distinguished in the transcript by thick type.

8 Read svasti.

9 Read Sak-ábdam.

⁸ Read svasti.
11 Read puravar-ádhísvaran.

¹² Rend Adi-Chandesvara.

¹⁰ Read Brihaspati.

Cochin Plates of Bhaskara-Ravivarman

CALE -8.

From Impressions by H. H. Martanda Varma, B.A., Second Prince of Travancore.

Jambukesvara Inscription of Valaka-Kamaya.— Saka-Samvat 1403.

- 5 giyârku=kkâlasandiy=âga ammudu¹ seyd=aruļi tanmavechcham=âga naḍakkira orutaligai ammudu-paḍikkum tiru-Mârgali-chchirappu ammudu seyyavum tirunaṇdavaṇam payir=
- 6 cheygira tôppu-âļ ilakkaikkum âga nammuḍaiya nâya[k]kat[ta]nam âna Vaḍakarai-Veṇkônkuḍiyil [ś]êtta² Irâjavibâḍan nilam vêli [||*] Inda nilam
- 7 vêlikkum uṇḍâṇa karam poṇ-mudal nel-mudal uṇḍâṇa[du] muṇ eludina vagaippaḍiyi[lê śa]ndir-âditta-varaiyum aṇubavittu=kko[lla]=kkaḍavar=âgavum ||
- 8 Inda tanımattukku agudam³ panninavan undânâl Gengai-kkaraiyilê gô-vadai[y]ai konra⁴ pâvattilê pôga=kkadavargal=âgavum ||

TRANSLATION.

- (Line 1.) Let there be prosperity! Hail! Fortune! At the auspicious time of Mahâmagam (Mahâmâgha), 6 (when) Jupiter (was standing in) Leo, (i.e.) on the day of (the nakshatra) Magam (Maghâ), which corresponded to a Sunday and to the full-moon tithi of the first fortnight of the month of Kumbha of the Plava samvatsara, which was current after the Śaka year 1403,— the glorious mahâmanḍalêśvara, a Bhîma among the Chôlas, a Nârâyaṇa among the Chôlas, the lord of Uraiyûr the best of cities, Vâlaka-Kâmaya, alias Akkalarâja, gave (the following) religious edict (dharmaśāsana-paṭṭaiyam) to the pūjārîs (of the shrine) of Âdi-Chaṇḍêśvara⁶ (in) the temple of the beautiful lord of Tiruvâṇaikkâ:—
- (L. 3.) "(One) vėli of land (which was called after) Rājavibhāṭa? (and) which formed part of Vaḍakarai-Veṇkôṇkuḍi in our dominions, (was given to the temple) for (defraying the expense of) decorating a manḍapa on the festive day, on which the beautiful lord of Tiruvāṇaikkā is carried in procession to Vaḍakarai-Veṇkôṇkuḍi for the sacred hunt (tiru-vēṭṭai); so for one plate of rice which is offered at the daily worship to the goddess Akhilāṇḍa-nāyakî and afterwards treated as sacrificial remnants (i.e. distributed); for the rice to be offered at the festival in (the month of) Mārgali; and for the maintenance of a gardener who cultivates the temple garden.
- (L. 6.) "(The donee) shall enjoy, for the above-mentioned purposes, as long as the sun and the moon last, the taxes on this véli of land, the income in gold (and) the income in paddy.
- (L. 8.) "If there be any person who injures this charity, he shall incur the sin of killing a cow on the bank of the Gangâ."

On Âdi-Chandêśvara see South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 92, note 6, and on dévar-kanmi, 'a pûjárt,' Vol. II. p. 112.

7 This word occurs as a biruda of Vijayanagara kings in Kanarese inscriptions.

¹ Read amudu throughout the inscription.

Read sêrtta.

^{*} This is a corruption of the Sanskrit ahitam.

^{*} Konra is pleonastic; the correct expression would be gô-vadaiyai śeyda.

⁵ According to the Dictionnaire Tamoul-Français, the Mahamagam, Mamagam, Mamagam or Mamangam [Mahamagam] [Mahamagam] in Sanskrit] is "a festival which is celebrated every twelve years at Kumbhakônam on the full-moon of Masi, i.e. February, when Jupiter and the Moon are in conjunction in the 10th lunar constellation, called Magam [Magha in Sanskrit], which forms part of the sign of Leo. Then crowds of people go to bathe in the sacred tank, called Mamaga-kkulam or Mamaga-ttirttam, where the waters of the Ganges are supposed to arrive by invisible channels. This festival serves as an epoch in the country; thus they say: 'It is three Mamagam (i.e. 36 years) that he died.' In Malabar this was also the period of the government of a viceroy under the kings of Vijayanagara." See also Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, Introduction, pp. 119 and 167.

⁸ This evidently refers to the procession on the day of Vijayadasans, which is even now celebrated in all the temples.

^{*} Tanmav-echcham appears to be used in the sense of prasada.

¹⁰ This refers to the worship at about 4 A.M. during the month of Margali.

¹¹ Ilakkai appears to be a vulgar form of irakshai (Sanskrit raksha).

I Toppu-al or topp-al and topp-andi mean 'a devotee who attends to groves.' (Winslow.)

No. 13.—UDAYENDIRAM PLATES OF THE BANA KING VIKRAMADITYA II.

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An edition of this inscription, or rather, of these fragments of two different inscriptions, of the Bana king Vikramâditya II. has already been published by the Rev. T. Foulkes in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. XIII. pp. 6 ff. and in the Manual of the Salem District, Vol. II. pp. 388 ff. For my revised text I have used excellent impressions received from Dr. Hultzsch, to whom the original plates, which are at Udayêndiram, in the Gudiyâtam tâlukâ of the North Arcot district, were lent by the Acting Collector of the district, Mr. F. A. Nicholson, I.C.S.

The copper-plates are four in number. Three of them, the first of which is inscribed on one side only, are the first, second, and third plates of a grant of which the concluding part is missing. And the fourth plate, which, like the second and third plates, is inscribed on both sides, is an odd, probably the third, plate of another grant, of which both the beginning and the end are missing. Each plate measures about $8\frac{9}{8}$ broad by $3\frac{9}{16}$ high, and all have raised rims to protect the writing. The odd plate closely resembles the others, the only difference being that the ring-hole is about 1 mearer to the right margin than in the other plates. The plates are held together by a ring, about 43" in diameter. This ring, which is cut, holds a circular seal, about 2" in diameter. The seal bears in relief a recumbent bull, which faces the proper right, reclining on an ornamental pedestal, and having a lamp on each side. At the top is a parasol between two chauris. The engraving is good, and the writing is almost throughout in a perfect state of preservation.— The size of the letters is between $\frac{1}{8}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$.— The characters are Grantha, with the exception of the Tamil word pugalvippavar (Plate iii. a. line 39), which is written in Tamil characters.1 As a photo-lithograph of the inscription is published herewith, I need not attempt a detailed description of the Grantha characters; but I may state that I have found it difficult to distinguish between the superscript i and i, which in the original are very similar to each other; and that also more than once I have failed to recognise in the impressions the superscript r of conjunct consonants.—The language is Sanskrit. Of the inscription on plates i-iii. lines 1-44, excepting the introductory svasti srî[h], are in verse, and lines 45-51 in prose. Line 1 to nearly the middle of line 13 of the odd plate give the verses in lines 32-44 of the other plates, while the remaining lines contain a prose passage which differs from the corresponding passage at the end of plate iii. As regards orthography, attention may be drawn to the promiscuous use of the letters t and d, t being employed eighteen times instead of d, and d six times instead of t; to the employment of the conjunct tsh instead of ksh, which occurs five times; to the incorrect use of the Grantha final m instead of the anusvara at the end of words; and to the frequent omission of the sign of visarga. In respect of grammar, it may be pointed out that line 5 of plate i. contains the wrong word mathitum-manas (for mathitu-manas, which would not have suited the metre).

Plates i-iii. contain the commencement of an inscription which recorded a grant made by the Bâṇa king Vijayabâhu Vikramâditya in favour of some Brâhmans residing at Udayêndumangala. The inscription, after two verses invoking the blessings of the gods Śiva and Nârâyaṇa (Vishṇu), gives the following genealogy of the donor:—

First there was the regent of the Asuras, Bali (line 11); his son was the foe of the gods, Bâṇa (line 15); and in his lineage was born Bâṇâdhirâja (line 17). When Bâṇâ-

¹ The same word occurs on the odd plate (l. 8), where it is written in Grantha characters, except the letter 1, which is peculiar to the Tamil alphabet and language.

dhirâja and many other Bâṇa princes had passed away, then there was born in this family—

- Jayanandivarman (l. 20), who ruled the land west of the Andhra country.
 His son was—
- 2. Vijayaditya I. (l. 23); his son-
- 3. Malladêva, surnamed Jagadêkamalla (l. 28); his son-
- 4. Bânavidyâdhara (l. 31); his son-
- 5. Prabhumêrudêva (l. 34); his son-
- 6. Vikramâditya I. (l. 37); his son-
- Vijayaditya II., also named Pugalvippavar-Ganda¹ (l. 39); and his son was the donor—
- 8. Vijayabâhu Vikramâditya II., who is stated to have been a friend of a certain Krishnarâja (l. 43).

The odd plate contains part of an inscription which recorded a grant made by the same king in favour of some Brâhmans; and this existing portion of it gives the genealogy of the king commencing with Prabhumêrudêva.

These inscriptions are not dated, but they may be assigned with some confidence to about the middle of the 12th century A.D.; for Dr. Hultzsch has shown that the king Bâṇavidyâ-dhara of the above list probably lived during the first half of the 11th century of our era, because he married a grand-daughter of the Ganga king Śivamahârâja, whom Dr. Hultzsch has shown to have reigned between A.D. 1000 and 1016.2

The place Udayêndumangala, mentioned in the above, has already been identified by Mr. Le Fanu 3 with Udayêndiram, where the plates are now preserved.

TEXT.4

First Plate.

1	Svasti śrî[h*] 5Yat-tat[t*	*]va-prakaţîkṛitâv	=atitarâm vêdô=pi n=â	lam yata[h]
2	sti(sthi)ty-utpatti-layas=samasta-	jagatâm	yan(m)=manvatê	yô-
3	ginaḥ [*] ⁶ sâts	sha-namra-surêndi	ra-brinda-makuța-vyâlîna-	rannâ(tnâ)va-
4	li-śôṇ-â[m*]śu-vraja-rañjit-âṅghr	i-yugaļô	bhût ya i	Śi-
5	vas=sô=stu vaḥ ()[1*]] Kshi(kshî)r		
6	dêv-âsurair=Mmandaram	hitv=åkshipta		
7	s=tatr=âdhikam ⁸ râjatê	[*] yô	bhôgi(gî)ndra-nivishṭa-n	
8	śam bhûyô=mritasy=âptayê	$raksh\hat{e}[d*]=va$	•	• ' '
9	dvvah ssa Narayanah ()[2*		asur-âdhipô makha-varê	
10	[r]gghamm=âdyâya ¹⁰ gâm	sa-dvîpâm	sa-charâcharâmm=adhir	nudâ ¹¹ dê-

l [According to an unpublished Tamil rock-inscription on the hill of Pancha-Fandava-Malai near Arcot, Pugalvippavar-Ganda, i.e. 'the disgracer of famous (kings),' was also the name of the father of a local chief, called Vîra-Chôla, who made a grant to Tiruppan-Malaidèva (i.e. to the Jaina temple on the top of the Pancha-Pandava-Malai hill) in the 8th year of the reign of Kô-Rajaraja-Kêsarivarman (i.e. in A.D. 992).— E. H.]

- 3 See his Preface to the Salem Manual, Vol. I. p. iv. f.
- 4 From an impression supplied by Dr. Hultzsch.
- Metre: Sârdûlavikrîdita; and of the two next verses.
 6 Read sâkshân-namra-.
- ⁷ Mathitum-manobhih is evidently intended to be a compound; but the proper form would be mathitumanobhih.— Read atulam.
 - 8 Read odhikam.

- 9 Read -dvandvas=sa.
- 10 Read rghum=ádyáya gám sa-dvípám.
- 11 Read "charám=.

² See Dr. Hultzsch's *Progress Report* for October 1889 to January 1890, pp. 3 and 4, and his *Annual Report* for 1891-92, p. 4 f., where the date of the Chôla king Râjarâja, and, consequently, of the Ganga king Śivamahârâja, is corrected.

Second Plate; First Side.

- sô=bhût(d)=Vâmana-rûpinê 11 vâya Daitya-dvishê [|*] Balir=iti khy[â]-12
- sur-ôpadrava-vyâp[â*]r-aika-ratah Śiv-âmghrikamala-dva[n*]dv-ârchchatah
- n-aika-vratah [|| 3*] ¹Tasmâd=abhût(d=) guṇa-nidhi[r]=balavâms=ta[nû*]jô yatr= âdhv=a-
- 14 varddhata mahân=amalah prasâdah []*] Sambhôś=śaśâmka-śaka[la*]-
- 15 dyuti-râji-maulêr=Bbanah kripâņa-nihat-âri-ba-
- ²Tasy=ânvavâyê sur-ârih [|| 4*] mahati prasutah kshi(kshi)ra[r]nna-17 vê śîtamarîchivad=yah Bânâdhirâjô yuti(dhi)
- khadga-khandîkrit-ârâtir=akhanda-têjâh 18 I(II) [5*****]
- ³Bâṇâdhirâja-pramukhêshv=atîtêshv=anêkasô Bâna-nripêshv=andyah 4 $aj[\hat{a}^*]yat=\hat{a}smi[\tilde{n}^*]=$
- Jayanandivarmmā sākshā[j*]=jaya-śri(śrîr)=vasati[h*] śriyaś=chaḥ⁵ |(||) [6*] ratsha(ksha)-

Second Plate; Second Side.

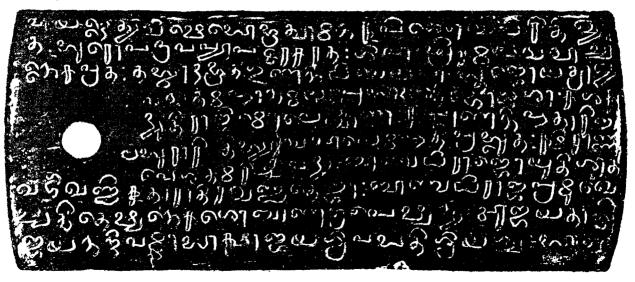
- 21 ti ema kshitim=êkavîra **Ândhrât**=pathah paschimato bali(lî)yâ-
- 22 [| *] vadhûm=iv=ânanya-samâm6 kul-ôtthâ[m*] râjanya-chûdâmanirañjit-âmghriḥ !(II)[**7***] ⁷Tasmâd=ajanishta
- sutô Vijayâti(di)tyô=ntarasta-ripu-8 24 varggah [|*] rana-bhuvi yasya ni(na)
- tishthandy(nty)=araya9 bhiy=âkrântâh 1(11)[8*]
- $^{10}{\rm Tasm\^a[t^*]=}{\rm samasta-ripu-tatsha(ksha)na-datsha(ksha)-}$ bâhur=akshi(kshî)ṇa-puṇya-yaśasâm
- prabhavas=tanû-27 jah [|*] âsîd=Anamga уô
- vanitâ-janânâm śrî-Ma-28 lladêva Jagad-êka-mallaḥ γô I(||)[9*]
- ¹¹Tên=âśêsha-nirasta-vairi-nidêvyâm Harên=âtula[h*] Pârvvatyâmm=udapâti(di) 12 karô
- Shanmukha mân sutô yah sudhî[h |*] yat-ki(kî)[r*]ttir=visadâm' viganda-karinâm ka[rṇṇê]-

Third Plate; First Side.

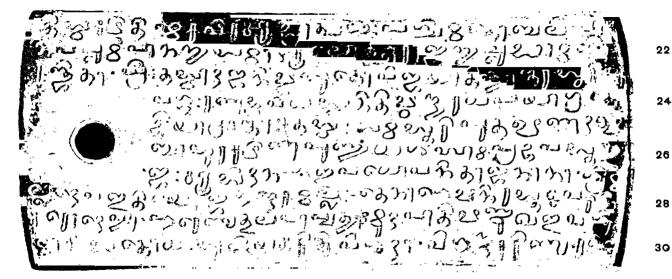
- 31 shu bhûpati-vandya-pâda-yugala[h•] saschâ(chchâ)marî-bhûtâ śrî-Bânavidya- ${}^{14}{\rm Tasy=\hat{a}nma(tma)}{\rm j\hat{o}=bhavad=ap\hat{a}sta-samasta-\hat{s}atru[r]=vvidy\hat{a}-\hat{$ dharah |(||)[10*]cha[tushta]ya-
- nivishta-matir=vvinîtah durvvára-víryya-yasasám prabhavas=taras[v*]î ya[h]
- Prabhumérudévah pâpa-du[h*]kha-rahita[h*] [|| 11*7 ¹⁵Abhavad=anu[pa]-
- prathita-prithula-kîrtti[h*] ma-śri(śrî)r=ânat-ârâti-vargga[h*]
- kshitipati-kula-mukhya[h] r=asmât(d=)vinîtah Pârvvatîś-â[m]ghripatma(dma)-dvaya-nihita-matir=yyô
- Vikramâti(di)tya-[nâ]mâ |(||)[12*] 16Tasy=âpi Vijayâditya-nâmadhêyô=bhavat sutah
- [l*] ya[t(d-)]vikramêna vitrastâh palâyantê=rayô yudhih 17 |(||)[13*****] ¹⁸Pugalvippavar-
- prathitam 19 Ganda iti ripu-dussaha 20 asya cha nâma param [|*]
 - 1 Metre : Vasantatilaka.
 - ² Metre : Indravajrå.
 - 3 Metre: Upajāti; and of the next verse.
 - · Read ananty ah.
 - 8 Read cha.
 - 8 Read -samâin.
 - 7 Metre: Gîti.
 - ⁸ I believe this to be a mistake for nirasta-ripu-.
 - Read arayah paray=.
- 10 Metre : Vasantatilaka.
- 11 Metre: Sårdûlavikrîdita.

- 12 Read otyam=.
- 18 Read visadá diganta-.
- 14 Metre: Vasantatilakå.
- 15 Metre : Mâlinî.
- 16 Metre : Ślôka (Anushţubh).
- 17 Read yudhi.
- 18 Metre: Tôṭaka; but the first Pâda of the verse is
 - 19 Read prathitam.
 - 20 Read cham=asya.

ii a.



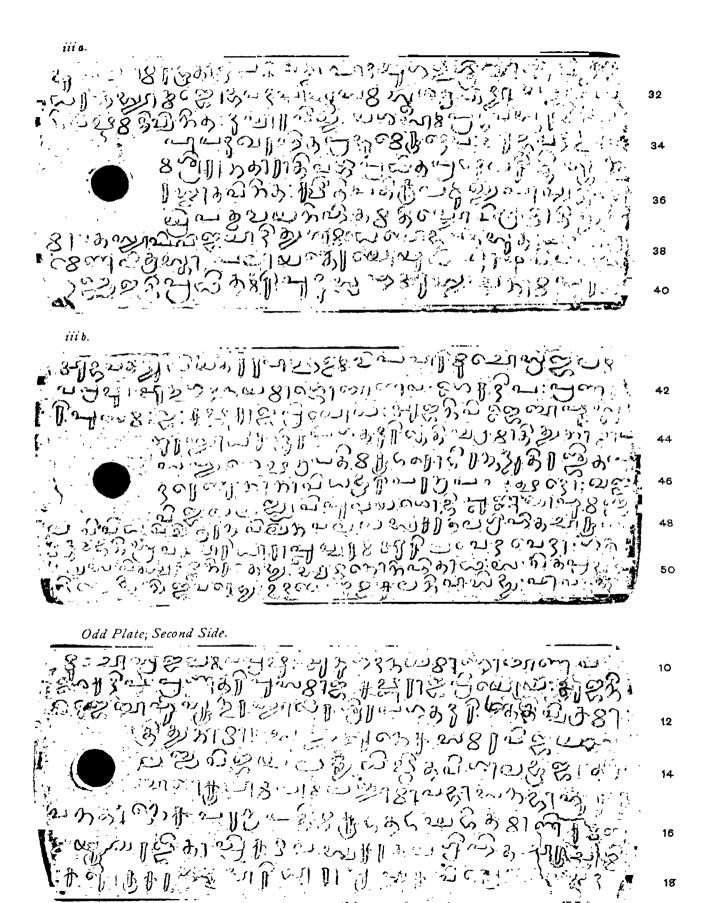
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Third Plate; Second Side.

41	abhavat l	dyudhi	yat-karavâļa-t	alam² d	vipa-v ârimu chô	=sra-jalam³
42	vavrishu[h*]	[14*] 4Anus	gada(ta)-naya-mâr			
4 3	ripu-samâjaḥ		-priyô yaḥ			
44	nur=asy=âdhik	a-śrîr=apagata-du	ırit-êtir= Vv[i*]kr e	mâti(di)tya-ni	ìmâ	[15*]
45	Sa	h	y=aśêsha-nripati-m	akuța-kôți-ranı	a(tna)-dyuti-ra	ñjita-p[â]-
46	da-rêṇuḥ ⁶			h û ri-para-nripa		
47	vijaya-labdha7	-vipula-yasô- bhip	ûrṇṇa-bâhu-maṇḍa	3		
4 8			a-ranna(tna)-vilîna			
49	makumbha-nis	ravat ¹⁰ vâri	dhârâ-pûrvvakam	11 aki(khi)la	a-vêda-vêdâmga	ı-ta[rkka]-
50	tat[t*]va-sam	rit-svaka[r]mma-	niratêbhyah	sva-mañô-nih	itâthaḥ- ¹² saṁvi	it-pradâna-
51	śilêbhyaḥ ¹³	dvija-varêbhyah	14 Udayêndur	namka(ga)la-n	ivâsibhyaḥ ¹⁴	êvambh û -

Odd Plate; First Side.

1	15dyâ-chatush	taya-nivishta-matir=vvini(nî)tah [*] durvvâra-v	îryya-yaśa-			
2	sâm prabha	was=taras[v*]î yaḥ pâpa-du[ḥ*]kha-rahita[ḥ*] Prabhum êrue	lêvah []*]			
3	Abhavad=anu	ıpama-śri(śrî)r=ânat-ârâti-vargga[ḥ*] prathita-pritl	ula-kîrttih			
4	sûnur=asmât((d=) vini(nî)taḥ [*] kshitipati-kula-mukhya[h*]	Pârvva-			
5						
6	tya-nâmâḥ 16	() Tasy=âpi Vijayâditya-	nâmadhêyô			
7	=bhavat	sutaḥ [*] yat(d-)vikramêṇa vitrastâḥ palâ	yantê=rayô			
8	yudhi	17Pukal[vi*]ppavar-Ganda iti prathitam 18 ripu-dussahar				
9	cha nâma.	param [*] abhavat 20 dya yudhi yat-karavâla-dala[d*]-	dvipa-vâri-			

Odd Plate; Second Side.

10	muchô=sra-jalam	²¹ vavrisht	і ት ((()	Anugada(ta)-na	aya-mârggô	Bâr	18-vam-
11	š-aika-dîpaḥ	pranata-ripu-sa	mâjaḥ	Krishnaraja-priyô	yaḥ	[18]	ajani
12	Vijaibâhu[ḥ*] 22		sûnur=asy=	=âdhika-śri(śrî)r=apa	agata-durit-	êtir= Vv i	kramâ-
13	ti(di)tya-nâmâ	11	Sa	hya ²³	anêka-san	nara-vija	ya-sam-
14	labdha-vijayalaku	ny(kshmy)-adhi	shthita-viśś	la-bhujântarô			-
15	Bâṇa-kul-âmalân	nala-byâ(vyô)m-	âvabhâsana	ı-bhâskara ²⁴			a-
16	vanat-ânêka-para	-nripati-makuta	tata-ghatit	a-mâṇik[y]a-maṇi-			
17	mayûkha-rañjit-â				tala-grihita	- ²⁵ châru-	châmî-
18	kar-ôru-kara-26[ga	aļa]d-vāri-dhārā	-pûrvvaka	[m*] v	riprêbhyô		vêda-

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1 Read ovad=yudhi.
                                                          14 Read obhya.
  2 Read °vála-dalad-dvipa-.
                                                          15 For lines 1-13 see lines 32-44 of the preceding.
  3 Read -jalam.
                                                          16 Read -námá.
  4 Metre : Mâlinî.
                                                          17 Read Pugalo.
  5 Read Vijayabahuh.
                                                          18 Read prathitam.
  6 Read -rênur=.
                                                          19 Read ham=asya.
  7 This akshara looks in the original rather like
                                                          20 Read orad=yudhi:
ndhdha.
                                                          21 Read -jalam.
  8 Read %.
                                                          22 Read Vijayabáhuh.
  9 Read -gribita ..
                                                          28 Read hy=anêka-.
 10 Read -niheravad -.
                                                          24 Read "skarô=vanat-.
 11 Read *kam=.
                                                          25 Read -gribita -.
 B Read *t-artha- (?).
                                                          26 Read -karaka.
  13 Read bhyo.
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TRANSLATION.

A .- The Three First Plates.

Hail! Prosperity!

- (Verse I.) May that Siva promote your well-being, whose true nature even the Vêda cannot fully reveal, from whom the creation, the preservation, and the destruction of all the worlds proceed, on whom the devotees meditate, (and) whose two feet are tinged with the collections of red rays of the rows of jewels in the diadems of the crowds of the chiefs of the gods who in person bow down before him!
- (V. 2.) May that Nârâyaṇa, whose body ever rests on the lord of serpents, (and) whose two feet are worshipped by crowds of gods, guard you! He, whom the gods and Asuras, desirous of churning the matchless sea of milk, discarding the Mandara laid hold of, as it were, to obtain a second time the nectar of immortality, (and) who then shone, even more than ordinarily, as if he were the Añjana mountain!
- (V. 3.) There was the regent of the Asuras, named Bali, whose sole delight it was to engage in acts of violence towards the gods, while his one vow was, to worship the two lotusfeet of Siva. He, after having presented as an excellent sacrifice a respectful offering to the primeval god, the enemy 2 of the Daityas, with great joy (also) gave to him who bore the form of a dwarf the earth with its islands and with all things movable and immovable.
- (V. 4.) From him sprang a mighty son, a treasure-house of good qualities, towards whom was ever increasing the great pure favour of Śambhu on whose head are the lines of the lustre of a portion of the moon,— Bana, the foe of the gods, who with his sword struck down the forces of his enemies.
- (V. 5.) As the cool-rayed moon rose from the sea of milk, so was born in his great lineage Bâṇâdhirâja, who, possessed of never-failing might, with his sharp sword cut up his enemies in battle.
- (V. 6.) When Bâṇâdhirâja and many other Bâṇa princes had passed away, there was born in this (lineage), not the least (of its members), Jayanandivarman, the fortune of victory incarnate, and an abode of fortune.
- (V. 7.) This unique hero of great might ruled the land to the west of the Andhra country, like a bride sprung from a noble family unshared by others, having his feet tinged by the crest-jewels of princes.
- (V. 8.) From him was born his son Vijayaditya, who scattered hosts of opponents, (and) before whom the enemies, seized with great fear, did not stand on the field of battle.
- (V. 9.) From him sprang a son whose arm was skilled in cutting up all opponents, a source of never-waning merit and fame, who to womankind was like the god of love,—the illustrious Malladêva, who was the unique wrestler of the world (Jagadêkamalla).
- (V. 10.) As Hara begat the six-faced (Kârttikêya) on Pârvatî, so he begat on his queen an incomparable, prosperous, and prudent son who completely scattered multitudes of enemies,—the illustrious Bâṇavidyâdhara, whose pure fame became an excellent *chaurî* for the ears of the elephants of the quarters, (and) whose two feet were an object of adoration for princes.

¹ The meaning apparently is, that Narayana (Vishnu), when worshipped by the gods and Asuras, grants the nectar of immortality even more readily and abundantly than was the case at the churning of the ocean by means of the mountain Mandara. The words bhûyô=mṛilasy=āpṭayē in the second half of the verse must in my opinion be connected with the words of the first half; compare the similar position of Vānana-rūpinē in the next verse.

² i.e. Vishņu.

- (V. 11.) His son was Prabhumêrudêva, who drove away all enemies, whose mind was intent on the four branches of knowledge, who was refined, a source of the fame of irresistible valour, full of energy, and free from fault and sorrow.
- (V. 12.) From him sprang a son of matchless fortune, named Vikramâditya, before whom the hosts of adversaries bowed down, (and) whose great renown was widely spread; a man of refinement, who was the chief of the families of princes, (and) whose mind was fixed on the two lotus-feet of the lord of Pârvati.
- (V. 13.) He, again, had a son named Vijayâditya, frightened by whose valour the enemies ran away in battle.
- (V. 14.) He also bore another name, Pugalvippavar-Ganda, widely known and unbearable to opponents. Cleft by his sword in battle, the elephants shed their blood as clouds do the rain-water.
- (V. 15.) To him was born a son Vijayabâhu, named Vikramâditya, a unique light of the Bâna family, who has followed the path of prudent conduct, before whom the assemblage of opponents has bowed down, (and) who has Krishnarâja for his friend. Eminently prosperous (he is, and) free from evil and distress.

(Line 45.) This (prince), the dust of whose feet is tinged with the lustre of the jewels on the edges of the diadems of all princes without exception, and whose two arms are filled with ample fame, gained in victories over the multitude of arms of the adherents of many different hostile princes,—after pouring out a stream of water from the beautiful golden jar, held by the palms of his hands the bracelets on which are thickly covered with 2 various bright jewels,— (has given) to the excellent twice-born, dwelling at Udayêndumangala, who delight in, what is their proper duty, the knowledge of the truth of all the Vêdas and Vêdângas and philosophy, (and) are eager to impart the knowledge of things which is stored up in their minds,

B.—The Odd Plate.

(Lines 13-18.)³ This (prince), whose broad chest is rested on by the Fortune of Victory whom he has gained by his victories in many battles, a sun to illuminate the very bright heaven of the Bâṇa family, whose lotus-feet are tinged with the rays of the ruby gems, fastened on to the sides of the diadems of numerous hostile princes bowing down before him,— after pouring out a stream of water from the beautiful large golden water-pot, held by the palms of his hands,— . . to the Brâhmans, . . . of the Vêdas .

No. 14.— UDAYENDIRAM PLATES OF VIRA-CHOLA.

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This inscription, or rather, fragment of an inscription, has been previously published, with a photo-lithograph, by the Rev. T. Foulkes, in the *Indian Antiquary*, Vol. IX. pp. 47 ff. and in the *Manual of the Salem District*, Vol. II. pp. 365 ff. I re-edit it from an excellent impression received from Dr. Hultzsch, to whom the original plates, which are at **Udayendiram**, in the Gudiyâtam tâlukâ of the North Arcot district, were lent by the Acting Collector of the district, Mr. F. A. Nicholson, I.C.S.

¹ See Sir M. Monier-Williams's *Dictionary*, s. v. vidyá:— trayt, the triple Vêda; ' davikshikt, 'logic and metaphysics; ' danda-niti, 'the science of government; ' and vartta, ' practical arts, such as agriculture, commerce, medicine, etc.'

² Literally, vilina would rather be 'hidden by.'

² Lines 1-12 of the odd plate are identical with lines 33-44 of the preceding inscription.

These are two odd copper-plates, marked on their first sides with the Tamil numerals 2 and 5, and inscribed on both sides. Each plate measures about $9\frac{7}{8}$ " broad by $2\frac{1}{2}$ " high, and has on the proper right a ring-hole, about $\frac{5}{16}$ " in diameter. There is neither a ring nor a seal, and the plates are now tied together with a string. The engraving, though not very regular, is done fairly well, and the writing, with one or two insignificant exceptions, is well preserved.— The size of the letters is between $\frac{3}{16}$ " and $\frac{5}{16}$ ". The characters are Grantha. The language is Sanskrit; and the text on both plates is in verse. In respect of orthography I need only notice the doubling of a consonant before y and v in ribhûttyai, plate ii. line 1, Garuḍaudhvajê, plate ii. line 9, and maddhyamê, plate v. line 11. As regards the language, the most noteworthy point is that the author in line 1 of plate ii. undoubtedly wrote trai, instead of trayî which does not suit the metre.

The inscription, as we have it, is part of a grant of "the lord of princes" Vîra-Chôla. Plate ii. treats of the mythical genealogy of the Chôla family, the beings actually mentioned being the god Brahman, his son Marîchi, his son Kâsyapa, his son the Sun, his son Manu, his son Ikshvâku,¹ his descendant (separated from Ikshvâku by many generations) Sagara, his descendant Bhagîratha, and Raghu. Plate v. records that, when the lord of princes (or king) Vîra-Chôla was ruling the earth, his spiritual guide Nîla advised him to make a grant in favour of some Brâhmans; that Vîra-Chôla then went to the Chôla ruler Parakêsarivarman and asked leave to bestow on the Brâhmans a village in his own territory which he promised to name after Parakêsarivarman; and that, having got the necessary permission, he gave the village of Parakêsarichaturvêdimangala, situated between the river Kâvêrî and another, small river, to a hundred and fifty (Brâhmans).

I cannot say anything definite about the Chôla ruler Parakesarivarman and the subordinate prince Vìra-Chôla,² mentioned in this inscription; nor am I able to identify the village of Parakesarichaturvedimangala.

TEXT.3 Second Plate; First Side.

1	bhavatâm ⁴	bhavatât(d=)	vibhûttyai	trayî-sâra-vastu ⁵	chaturânana-
2	m=âdi-têjaḥ	[] 6 ∇	idhâtus=tasya	putrô=bhût(n)= M s	rîchi[r*]=mmâna-
3	sô mahân	[*]	Mari(rî)chêś=cha	tanûjô=bhût	Kâsyap-â-
4	khyô n	ahâmuni[ḥ◆]			munêr=âsîd=âtma-
5	jô	bhânumân=	: Ravir⁷=vviśv êshâñ=c		lôkânâm=andha-
6	kâr-âpanôda-kṛi	t 14	\mathbf{V} êda-	vêdâmga-tat[t*]vajñ	ð Vi-

¹ From Brahman to Ikshvåku the genealogy agrees with the one given in the Kalingattu-Parani; Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 330. Compare also the genealogies in the large Leyden grant (Dr. Burgess' Arch. Survey of Southern India, Vol. IV. p. 216) and in the Vikkirama-Sólan-Uld (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 147).

- From an impression received from Dr. Hultzsch. Metre: Vasantatilaka.
- b Originally traisara- was engraved, as required by the metre; afterwards the as of trai has been struck out, and yt has been inserted below the line, between the aksharas tra (for trai) and st.
 - 6 Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of all the following verses.
 - 7 Read ouh | viévé."
- ⁵ Here one syllable is missing, and the particle cha yields no sense. Probably the intended reading is visveshem=8va.

² [On page 71 above, reference is made to a chief, named Vîra-Chôla, who was the father of Vîra-Champa (Śaka-Samvat 1236). The Pańcha-Pândava-Malai rock-inscription (ante, p. 75, note 1) records a gift by an earlier Vîra-Chôla, who was the son of the lord (udaiydr) Lâtarâja Pugalvippavar-Ganda. This Vîra-Chôla appears to have been a local chief, who was not related to the Chôla family at all, but on whom the name Vîra-Chôla was bestowed with reference to the ruling dynasty. Similarly, the Vîra-Chôla of this Udayêndiram fragment need not necessarily have been a Chôla, and the genealogy on the first plate of the grant may have been that of his sovereign, the Chôla king Parakêsarivarman. The latter cannot be identified, as we know from inscriptions that the surname Parakêsarivarman was borne by several Chôla kings.— E. H.]

13 rathô=pi

tad-vamsê

Raghur=nnâma

Second Plate: Second Side.

7	vasvataś=cha ¹	sutô	Manuḥ	[*]	isît	kshitibhrita	im≕âdyaḥ
8	praṇavaś=chha	ndasâm=iva	11	Ikshvâk	uś=cha	ma	h â-pr âjñô
9	bhaktimân	Garuḍaddhvajê	[*]	Manôs=sûnuḥ	² kshiti	śas ann=âsi (sî)d=Âkha-
10	ṇḍala-samaḥ	11	Ikshv	âku-vamśa- jâtêsl	nu	ksh	atriyêshu
11	bahushv=api	[*] pâlayit	vâ bhu	van=dî[r]ggham	³ yâtê	shu cha	divam
12	prati Il Sag	arô nâma tad-v	zamisê jata	vân [bhû]pa-p	û(pu)mga	va[h] [i*]	Bhagî-

Fifth Plate: First Side.

jâtô

janô(nê)śvara[h*]

1	Rakshamânê bhuvam 4	vîśvam	Vîra-Chôlê	nrip-ésvarê	[*] dha[:	r*]m-ô-
2	padêshtâ tasy=âbhût ⁵	Nila-nâmâ	${f mah}$ îsur ${f a}$	Yush[m]ad-g[u]rûṇâṅ	1 52. -
	[r*]vvêshâm 6 svarg	ga-prâpana-k	iraņam [*	brahma	dêyan=dvijênd	l rê bhyô
4	dêh=îty=ênam=adîdiśat	Šru	två tad	-vachanam	râjâ	gatvâ
5	Chôla-mahi(hî)patin =7nam	askṛitya	puras=ta	sya	sthitv=aitad=	abravî-
6	d=vacha[h] Mat(d	-)dêśê tu	mahâ-grâma	m ⁸ dâsy â	mi tava	sam-

Fifth Plate; Second Side.

7	jñayâ [*]	bhûsu	rêbhyô=han=tat-k	â[r*]yyê	mahyan:	-dêh=îi	ty=anugraham	- 11
8	Tad=âśu	kurvv=ity	⁹ =anujñâtaḥ	Parakê	sarivarm <u>m</u> a	ņâ	[I*] pañcl	ıâśa-
9	dbhyaś=śatêbhy	7aś=cha	Vi(vî)ra-Chôļô	nriv(p	o)-êśvaraḥ	11	Parakêsaric	hg_10
10	tu[r]vvêdima	m gal- âhvayı	$\mathbf{am} \qquad \mathbf{p}\hat{\mathbf{u}}[\mathbf{r}^*]$	ņņam ¹¹	Kâvêry	yâ. 12	svatpa-na	dyâ-
11	ś=cha maddhy	yamê supra	tishta(shthi)tam	[*] 8	a[r*]vva-lak	shaṇa-	-sampannam 13	śâ-
12	ly-âdi-sasya-bh	ûshitam	[*]	panas-ân	ar-âdi-samyu	ktam	pûg-ârâ	m-â-

TRANSLATION.

A .- Second Plate.

. may the primeval glory, with four faces, 14 the essence of the three Vêdas, promote your welfare!

Of that Creator, Marichi was the great mind-born son; and of Marichi's body sprang the great sage Kâśyapa.

Of the sage Kâśyapa the resplendent Sun was the son, who dispels the darkness of all the worlds.

Vivasvat's 15 son again was Manu, thoroughly familiar with the Vêdas and Vêdângas, the first of the rulers of the earth, as Om is of the Vêdic texts.

And Manu's son was the wise Ikshvaku, devoted to him16 whose symbol is the Garuda; he ruled the earth, equal to Akhandala.17

- 1 This cha spoils the metre.
- 2 Read either kshitligh same or kshitim idead=.
- 2 Read dirgham.
- 4 Read bhuvam visvam.
- Bead obhûn=Nila.
- ⁸ Read sarveshám.
- 7 Read opatim |.
- 8 Read gramam.
- 9 Here again this ity offends against the metre.

- 10 The first half of this verse is quite incorrect.
- 11 Read purnam.
- 12 Read Kavêryah svalpa-, as suggested by Mr. Foulkes.
 - 18 Read sampannam.
 - 14 i.e. the glorious god Chaturanana (Brahma).
 - 15 i.e. the Sun's.
 - * i.e. the god Vishnu-Krishna.
 - 17 i.e. Indra.

When many warriors born in the family of Ikshvaku, having long ruled the earth, had gone to heaven, then the most excellent king Sagara was born in his family; and in his family again was born afterwards the lord of men Bhagiratha.

B .- Fifth Plate.

While the lord of princes Vîra-Chôla was ruling the whole earth, a Brahman named Nila was his spiritual adviser.

He directed him to bestow on the chief twice-born a gift of religion which would secure heaven to all his ancestors.

When he had heard his advice, the king went to the Chôla ruler, bowed down, and, standing in his presence, spoke the following words:—

"In my territory I wish to give a great village, (which shall be) named after thee, to the Brahmans; please grant me leave to do this!"

No. 15.— GANAPESVARAM INSCRIPTION OF THE TIME OF GANAPATI.

SAKA-SAMVAT 1153.

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This inscription has been already drawn attention to by Mr. G. Mackenzie in his Manual of the Kistna District, p. 214, and by Mr. R. Sewell in his Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 54. It is engraved on three faces of a stone pillar in front of the Durgâmbâ temple at Gaṇapêśvaram, a hamlet near Talagada-Divi in the Bandar (Masulipatam) tâlukâ of the Kistna district. The same pillar bears four other, later inscriptions, viz. one at the bottom of the east face underneath the inscription of Gaṇapati, and three others on the north face, which had been left blank by the engraver of the Gaṇapati inscription.

The alphabet of the inscription is Telugu. The language is Sanskrit verse as far as line 121, and Telugu prose from line 121 to the end. The Sanskrit portion opens with invocations of Vishņu, Šiva, and Gaņêsa (verses 1 to 3). Verses 4 to 14 contain a short genealogy of the Kākatīya king Gaṇapati, to whose time the inscription belongs. Omitting the earliest ancestor who is named in the Anmakoṇḍa and Êkâmranâtha inscriptions, 3 the Gaṇapêśvaram inscription commences the list with Prôla (verse 5), who resided at Anmakoṇḍa in the Andhra country, the capital of the kings of the race of Kākati 4 (v. 4). He defeated

¹ This inscription is dated in Salivahana-Sakavarsha 16[9]3 [expired], the Khara samvatsara.

The dates of these inscriptions are: Saka-Samvat 1268 [expired], Vyaya; 1605 (not 1005, as stated by Messrs. Mackenzie and Sewell), [expired], Rudhirôdgârin; and 1235. The second inscription refers to "the linga called after Ganapati, which had been set up by Chôdarâja at the junction of the Vêni and the sea," and the third records the grant of a lamp "to the god Ganapatisvara in the beautiful Peda-Dîvipura at the junction of the Krishnå and the sea."

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 10, and Vol. XXI. p. 197.

⁴ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 198, note 11.

Mantena-Gunda, Tailapadêva, and Gôvinda-Dandêsa, and re-instated Chôdôdaya (v. 6). The same four contemporaries of Prôla are referred to in the Anmakonda inscription, where, however, Mantena-Gunda is called Gunda, the lord of the city of Mantrakûta. Tailapadêva has been already identified by Dr. Fleet with the Western Châlukya king Taila III. Chôdôdaya is mentioned four times in the Anmakonda inscription. Line 32 f. of that inscription reads as follows:— "Then he (Prôla), who had easily plundered his (Udaya's) dominions in warfare, gave the kingdom (back) to king Udaya." Verse 6 of the Ganapésvaram inscription shows that Udaya is here meant for Chôdôdaya. In lines 65 to 71 of the Anmakonda inscription, we are told that king Chôdôdaya died out of fear of Prôla's successor, Rudra. According to line 104 f. Rudra burnt the city of Chôdôdaya. In line 107, Rudra is called "the only resort of Padma (or Lakshmi) who arose from the womb of the glittering milkocean of the race of Kandûrôdaya-Chôda." Udaya-Chôda is evidently a transposed, but synonymous form of Chôdôdaya. Further, I suspect that Padmâ has to be taken as the actual name of Chôdôdaya's daughter, whom Rudra married for political reasons, though he caused the death of her father and destroyed his city. Finally, Kandûra appears to have been the name of Chôdôdaya's capital. According to Dr. Oppert1 "there are in the Nizâm's territory and the neighbouring districts many places called Kandûru." But I am not in a position to say which of these is to be identified with Kandûra.

By his wife Muppaladêvî, or, as she is called in the Anmakonda inscription, Muppamadêvî, Prôla had two sons, Rudra and Mahâdêva (v. 7). Rudra succeeded his father on the throne (v. 8). He is said to have settled the inhabitants of towns which he had destroyed, at Ôrungallu² (Worangal) and to have established on the sites of those towns new colonies, in which he built temples of Rudrêsvara (v. 9). Rudra was succeeded by (his brother) Mahâdêva (v. 11), whose son by Bayyâmbikâ was Gaṇapati (v. 12).

Verses 15 to 43 describe the descent of one of Ganapati's officers, the general Jâya or Jâyana. The first person named is Bhîma (I.) of the race of Ayya (v. 16), who resided at Kroyyûru³ in the country of Velanându⁴ (v. 17). His three sons by Rachyâmbikâ, Jilla, Nârâyana (I.), and Sûraya, were in the service of king Chôdi (v. 18). Jilla defeated a certain Kannâradêva and received in acknowledgment of this deed the dignity of general from the king (v. 19). At the command of king Chôdi, the second brother, Nârâyana (I.), fortified Dvîpa, i.e. Talagada-Divi, which is fabled to have been created by the god Kuvêra (v. 20 f.). He also constructed tanks and temples at Dvipa and at Vadlakurru (vv. 23-25). He received from king Chôdi the lordship over Dvîpa and the Gontu villages, and the title of general (v. 26 f.). The four sons of Nârâyaṇa (I.) by Nârâmbâ (I.) were Chôdi, 5 Bhîma (II.), Pinna-Chôdi, and Bramma (v. 28). They served in the army of "the king who was the lord of the Chôda country" (v. 30). This king appears to be identical with, or a successor of, the previously mentioned king Chôdi (vv. 18, 20, 27). He may be also connected with Chôdôdaya, to whom both the Anmakonda and the Ganapêsvaram inscriptions refer as a contemporary of the two Kâkatîya kings Prôla and Rudra, and with Kulôttunga-Chôda-Gonka of Velanându. The wife of Pinna-Chôdi, the third of the four brothers, was Dâmâmbâ (v. 31). They had two daughters, Nârâmbâ (II.) and Pêramâmbâ, and three sons, Prithva, Jâya or Jâyana, and

¹ Madras Journal of Literature and Science for the year 1881, p. 217.

² The length of the first vowel is guaranteed by the metre. Other forms are Orangaliu and Orugaliu; Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 197, note 3.

³ This place can hardly be identical with the distant Krôsûru, which is the head-quarters of a tâlukâ of the Kistna district.

⁴ This territorial term forms part of Velanânți Kulôttunga-Chôda-Gonka, the name of a chief whose inscriptions range between Saka-Samvat 1055 and 1072; see my Annal Report for 1892-93, p. 3.

⁵ This person and his younger brother Pinna-Chôdi were evidently called after king Chôdi.

⁶ See note 4.

Nârâyana (II.) (v. 32). At this time (the Kâkatîya) king Gaṇapati, who had defeated the kings of Chôla, Kaliṅga, Sêvaṇa, Karṇâta, and Lâta, conquered the country of Velanâṇḍu, together with Dvîpa (v. 34). Having taken to wife Nârama and Pêrama (i.e. Nârâmbâ II. and Pêramâmbâ of verse 32), he took their younger brother Jâya or Jâyana into his service (v. 36 f.) and appointed him general (v. 38). Jâya had, on a previous occasion, defeated a certain Vairigôdhûmagharaṭṭa (v. 41).

The immediate object of the inscription is to record that the general Jâya built at Dvîpa a temple of Śiva, which he called Gaṇapêśvara or Gaṇapatîśvara in honour of his patron, king Gaṇapati (v. 44 f.), and the name of which survives to the present day in the hamlet of Gaṇapêśvaram. The date of the consecration of the temple was the *tithi* of Gaurî in the bright fortnight of Vaiśâkha of the Śâka year 1153, which corresponded to the cyclic year Khara (v. 45). I am obliged to Mr. Dikshit for the following remarks on this date:—

"The goddess Gaurî is supposed to have been born on the fourth tithi of Jyaishtha, but is considered as the regent of the third tithi. Consequently, the "tithi of Gaurî" might be meant for the third or fourth tithi. Observances in honour of Gaurî are enjoined on both the third and the fourth tithi of some of the twelve months. One of these observances commences on the Chaitra śukla tritiyā and ends on the Vaiśākha śukla tritiyā. This tithi ended in Śaka-Samvat 1153 expired, the Khara śamvatsara, on Monday, the 7th April, A.D. 1231, at 11 gh. 10 p., and Vaiśākha śukla chaturthi ended on Tuesday, the 8th April, at 7 gh. 13 p. Ujjain mean-time."

The Telugu portion of the inscription (lines 121 to 135)² records that certain dues had to be paid by every boat touching at Nangegadda to the temple of Ganapatiśvara at Divi,³ and that Jâyapa-Nâyaka (i.e. Jâya or Jâyana of the Sanskrit portion) assigned the revenue of a number of villages to the same temple, and granted twenty-five cows, the milk of which was to be used for supplying ghee to a perpetual lamp.

TEXT.

A .- West Face.

- 1 श्रीकांतिश्ययमातनीतु भवतां क्रीडाक्ति-
- 2 र्व्वारिधेरज्ञालाग्र समुध्धतां⁵ लघ्तयोध्ध-⁶
- 3 र्त्तु चितिं दंष्ट्रया [।*] यस्तावदृष्टभे निपीडिततनु-
- 4 ब्र्वेद्धांडखंडे भृगं खस्थानस्थितियाचनोचित-
- 5 पदैस्तुष्टाव यावन सा ॥ [१*] जयति शिरसि शंभी-
- 6 रिंदुलेखा मयुखैरमृतविसरसारै: चा-
- 7 लयंती जगंति [1*] शिशिरविशदगंगावारिभुज्ज-
- 8 टभास्रत्वनक्वत्रवाचा राजतीव प्रणाली ॥ [२*] गजा-
- 9 स्थ: पातु वी यस्य भांति दानान्तिकालिन: । मन्ना-
- 10 द्रिनिज्भीरोपांतकान्तनीलोपला इव ॥ [३*] अस्युर्ज्जितं

¹ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 199 f.

² To Mr. G. V. Bamamurti, of Parla-Kimedi, I am indebted for the explanation of several Telugu terms.

Both Divi and Dvîpa, which occurs repeatedly in the Sanskrit portion, refer to the village of Talagada-Divi, near which the hamlet of Ganapêsvaram is situated. The form Divi must be derived from divi, which is a Telugu tadbhava of dvipa, and which forms part of Peda-Divipura (aste, p. 82, note 2).

⁴ From inked estampages.
7 Rojati is a mistake, caused by the metre, for rajanti.
6 Read भाइ.

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11 काकतिवंशजानां नरेखराणां कुलराजधानी [।*] ग्रं-
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- 12 भावनीमंडनमस्यकोंडनामाभिरामं नगरं ध-
- 13 रिन्रां ॥ [8*] तत स्थितः प्रोत्तधराधिनाथः खबाहुवीर्थः-
- 14 ण धरां ररच । यस्य प्रतापञ्चलने समन्ताच्छत्तृचि-1
- 15 तीयाश्वलभा बभूवः ॥ [५*] केचिन्मंत्तेनगुं[ड]वित्चितिस्तः ख-
- 16 क्रेन नि:खंडिता: केचित्तैलपरेववद्गजहयं युध्या-
- 17 जिरे त्याजिता: [।*] केचिदूरमपोहिता: समरतो गो-
- 18 विंददंडेशवलेचित्खखपदेषु येन निह्नितासो-
- 19 डोदयस्त्रोभवत् ॥ [६*] तस्नालीलनरेभान्म्पलदेव्यां
- 20 बभूवतु: पुत्री । रिपुन्तपमदेभिसंची [रू]-
- 21 द्रमहादेवभूप[ती] खाती ॥ [७*] पितुः परोचे वसुध[ां]
- 22 शशास रुट्रचमासङ्गवनैकवीर: । यस्य प्रता-
- 23 पोस्वणदावविद्धः प्रत्यर्थिपृष्वीभवनं ददाह ॥ [द *] उसु-
- 24 ष्टानि पुराणि येन कथयंत्यापूर्य्य तत्तज्ज-
- 25 वैनस्तत्तना[म]भिरोशंगज्ञ्नगरे निर्मापिता वा-
- 26 टिका: [।*] किंच खेषु क्रतेषु तेष्वध पुरेष्वापूर्य नू-
- 27 बैर्जनै: श्रीबद्रेखरसंज्ञया विरचिता: प्रख्यातदे-
- 28 वालया: ॥ [८*] पोषणैस्तोषणैईडै: पालनैरुपलाल-
- 29 नै: । संवर्षिता: प्रजा येन पित्रेव धर्णीस्ता ॥ [१०*] दिवं
- 30 गते रुद्रवृपे बभार भुवं महादेवविभुर्व्विनेग्र: [1*] प्र-
- 31 तापभाना[व]दिते यदीये तेजांसि भानामिव भूप-
- 32 तीनां ॥ [११*] तस्नाबाहादेवमहामहीशाद्ययांविकायाम-
- 33 भवत्रभावान् । सर्व्वसन्दासर्व्वधुरीणपाणिः कुलप्रदीपो
- 34 गणपत्यधीश: ॥ [१२*] यस्योबात्तगर्जेंद्रगंडविगलडानांबु-°
- 35 दृष्टिम्र्ते त्वंगत्तंगतुरंगनिष्ठ्रख्रै: क् [ष्टे] तथा-
- 36 नेक्याº [।*] युत्चेत्रे रिपुइस्तिमस्तकगळन्मुत्तीघ[बी]जाक्त-
- 37 ते जाता: ¹⁰िकत्तिंखताप्र्यांकविषदा वेसंति दिग्भित्तिषु ॥ [१३*] निच[भु]-

3 Read usi".

The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

The anuscara stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁶ Read °सत्तवाम°.

⁷ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁸ Bead Cबल्हानान्तु.

⁹ Read विश्वा.

¹⁰ Read कीर्ति.

- 38 जविजितानां निर्ज्जितानां परैर्वा प्ररणसुपगतानां
- 39 सोमसूर्यान्वयानां [1*] निखिलनरपतीनामात्रयस-
- 40 न्सदा यः प्रतिदिनपरिवृद्धप्राज्यराज्यो विभाति॥ [१४*] श्रस्य स्रत्यः
- 41 प्रियो भाति गणपत्यवनीसृतः । श्रीमज्जायचसूनाथः
- 42 कव्यतेयं तदन्वयः ॥ [१५*] विक्रांतिमानय्यकुले प्रसिद्धे प्राटु-
- 43 ब्बीभूवाच कली स भीम: । दुःश्लासनश्लासित एव 'श्रनुहुर्थ्यी-
- 44 धनीयोधि सुखेन येन ॥ [१६*] सुवीवतंसे वेलनांडुदेशे क्री-
- 45 व्यूरुसंचं कुलसिववासं । ग्रामं स भीमो धन-
- 46 दोपमानश्वकार वित्तरलकोपमानं ॥ [१७*] रचांविका-

B .- South Face.

- 47 यां प्रबभूवरस्नात्ते जिल्लनारायणसूरया-
- 48 खा: । प्रतिप्रभेदैरिव यैस्त्रिभिश्व जिगाय प्रतून् भु-
- 49 वि चोडिभूप: ॥ [१८*] जिज्ञस्ममुज्ञासितबाहुवीर्यः
- 50 क्वारदेवं समरे विजित्य । लेभे निजेशाच्छिबिकात-
- 51 पनाद्यशेषचिक्किर्धनिनीपतित्वं ॥ [१८*] तस्यानुनसं-
- 52 तत[मेव] असतुद्रारायणः कार्य्यपराय-
- 53 सीभूत् । यद्यीडिभूपस्य रिपूनश्रेषांसकार भृ-
- 54 त्यात्रयविक्रमाभ्यां ॥ [२०*] यः क्रणविणीलवणान्यसं-
- 55 ने द्वीपं पुरैतद्वनदेन सृष्टं [।*] परैहुरापं वस-
- 56 तां मनोत्तं चकार दुर्मी प्रभुषा नियुक्त: ॥ [२१*] पू-
- 57 'क्र्नाभ्यर्ग्नतटाकवाःप्रुतलसच्छालीचुकेदारकं ना-
- 58 नापुष्पपलाभिश्रोभितमज्ञारामाभिरामख-
- 59 सं । सीधाद्यालक इम्यंगी पुरवृ इत्याकारभाख-
- 60 त्य्रं द्वीपं भूपनिवासयोग्यमकरोद्यः प्रागसे-
- 61 व्यं नृषां ॥ [२२*] चोडससुद्रतटाकं चोडेखरधाम
- 62 [च]ाव हि दीपे । यसके पतिनास्ना भीमेखरमंदिरं च
- 63 पितृनामा ॥ [२३*] अवैव प्रासादान्विणोस करालभैरवस्या-
- 64 पि । यद्याकरीकानीज्ञान्बंडुलदेव्या मह[[*]काल्या-

¹ Read ऋषुर्द्वीं°•

The answers stands at the beginning of the next line.

Read अर्तुर्नी

⁴ Read पूर्वाध्यर्ण.

- 65 : ॥ [२४*] अय वडुकु्ध्रानामग्रामे यसाकरोत्यित्यन[1]-1
- 66 चा । [भी]मसमुद्रतटावं भीमेम्बरनाम रम्य-
- 67 शिवभवनं ॥ [२५*] नारायणाय तसी पौरुषपरिती-
- 68 षित: पति: प्रादात । द्वीपस्याधिपतित्वं स्वामित्वं चि]ा-
- 69 पि गींटुपन्नीनां ॥ [२६*] चर्खार्ज्जकमित्रशूरं चाला दे-
- 70 ग्राधिकारधीरेयं । चक्रे सेनाधिपमपि नाराय-
- 71 बमेव चोडिनरनाधः ॥ [२७*] तस्माज्ञाताः स्थातनारा-
- 72 यबाख्याद्वारांबायां सूनवी भानुभास-
- 73 : [1*] चोडिभींम[:*] पिनचोडिर्खंगस्ती नामा ब्रमायेति
- 74 चलार एते ॥ [२८*] अपामधीया इव बाडबात्रया:
- 75 प्रभोरपाया इव कार्य्यसाधका: । करा इवास्त्रिष्ट-
- 76 रमा सुरदिषो विभांति चलार इमे भटोत्तमा: ॥ [२८*]
- 77 चोडएबीयभूपस्य च[तु]रात्राजयावद्याः [।*] यभू-
- 78 वन्बाह्वीर्थेंग चलारो भटपुंगवा: ॥ [२०*] विच्छो:
- 79 त्रीरिव गीरिवांबुजभुवश्चंभीरिवाद्रेसुता काम-
- 80 स्वेव रतिकाचीव सुरपस्त्रोषेव ग्रोचिष्यते: । ग्रीतांग्रोरि-
- 81 व रोहिणि गुणनिधेश्त्रीपित्र[चो*]डिप्रभोर्हामांबा कुलपा-
- 82 लिका समभवद्गीरिक्षनां कामधुक् ॥ [३१*] नारांबा पेरमां-
- 83 बा च सुते जाते तयीरुमे । पुत्रास्त्रयीभवन्पृथ्वजा-
- 84 यनारायणाञ्चया: ॥ [३२*] भ्रातृषु त्रिषु तेष्वेष मध्यमी-
- 85 प्युत्तमो गुर्गै: । राजते जायसैन्येश: पांडवेष्विव म-
- 86 ध्यम: ॥ [३३*] कालेखिनृपशेखरी गणपतिचीणीपतिलीलिया
- 87 जिला चोळकळिंगसेवणवृष्टलाएनीटलाटाधिपान् । रचन्द-
- 88 चिणसिंधुविंध्यनगयोमीध्यचमामंडलं सद्दीपं
- 89 वेलनांड्देशमखिलं खायत्तमेवाकरोत् ॥ [३४*] स्ती-
- 90 रत्रपुंरत्नगजाश्वरत्ननाशिलारत्नचयं समंत्तात् ।
- 91 श्राष्ट्रत्य चास्नादेलनांडुदेशात्रावेशयत्त्वं पुरमे-
- 92 व भूप: ॥ [३५*] अय रूपविलासविभ्रमैरसमाने सुवनत-

¹ Read aतुनि

³ Read चीडिभींम:.

² Read नाय:.

⁴ Read रोडियी.

⁵ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

Read कर्चाट.

⁷ The anusoara stands at the beginning of the next line.

C .- East Face.

- 93 येष्यम् [1*] गणपत्यवनीपतिर्व्यधाद्दयिते नारम-
- पेरमाह्वये ॥ [३६*] तदनुजमतिसीम्याकारमा-94
- कारलच्चैस्विनयनयदाच्चस्वैर्थ्यगांभी-95
- र्थ्यभीर्थै: । शिश्वमपि गरिमाणं प्राणितं 96
- 97 जायनाख्यत्ररपतिरभिनंद्य स्वानुचर्धे
- न्ययुङ्त¹ ॥ [३७*] ततः प्रसन्नयरितैर्म्युदास्मै प्रादात्चिती-98
- शः खल् जायनाय ॥ श्रांहीलिकाच्छवसना-99
- यचिक्रैसोनाधिपत्यं गजसाधनित्वं ॥ [३८*] सरेखरेणे-100
- व निजेखरेण सेनाधिपत्याधिकती विभाति । जायः 101
- 102 कुमारो विव्धैः परीतः संप्राप्तश्रक्तिः परवी-
- 103 रहंता ॥ [३८*] यस्यासिधारा प्रवलाहितानां टे-
- 104 वांगनासंगमनैकद्ती । यद्गीतिरन्यचि-
- तिपाललच्मीसंधानदूती निजवसभस्य ॥ [४०*] श्रवु-105
- नशेषान्समरेषु शूरान्गिलिखतः खड्गम्[ख]-106
- 107 स्य यस्य । यो वैरिगोधूमघरदृनाम्ना ब्य-
- 108 राजत प्राव्यवलसा जात: ॥ [४१*] चीणत्वं प्रतिपचने-
- ति नितरामेको दिजाधीखर: प्राय: ची खबस: 109
- प्रयाति वसुमत्पार्खे सदैकी बुध: । मूढसान्क-110
- ²तिचिहनान्यनुदयो ह्येकः कविर्व्वत्तेते सहानं 111
- किमितीव यप्रयुतिगताहानस्तवोज्ञज्ञते ॥ [४२*] संपा-112
- 'दितैर्थ्यधावस्तकतिनिधिवनविवाहसरगे-113
- है: । सतटाकैर्थसप्तिभिरतैसांतानवान्ववति⁵ ॥ [४३*] 114
- सीयं जायचम्पतिगंणपतिचोणीशनासा 115
- खयं सङ्गता गणपेष्वराह्वयमहादेवस्य 116
- लिंगाकते: । ⁶ दिपेसिन् स्विपतामचेन रचिते नाराय-117
- खेनोत्रतं प्रासादितरमापयध्रवमम्ं 118
- कैलासग्रैलोपमं ॥ [४४*] गुणग्ररभविमतग्राकी ख-119
- 120 रवर्षे माधवे सिते गौर्थ्याः । तिथ्यां व्यधात्मति-

¹ Read न्ययङ्काः

[?] Read °तिचिहि°.

Read स्तवाझकते.

⁴ Read °र्यथाव°.

⁵ Read oarmafa.

⁸ Read डीपे.

⁷ Read offuerta

⁸ Read विद्यां.

<u>බැහැ ඒ වෙන්න්රෙන්න්නේන්ත් සිර</u>් **ై** ఉరక్ష్మా ప్రవాదిన్న ప్రాలం అన్నా చేయ్దా క **ෙ**්මේ ගැන්න් ද්රේද්ධිමේ එ ဝြင်း မြို့ နေတဲ့ မြောင်း မြေ లయ - తేజగంతో వివిదేవి **ప్**డగంగా ఎటి 2 ෭෮ඁ෭෫ඁ෧ඁ෧෧෧෧ඁ෬ඁ**෦෧෦෮ඁ෬ඁඁ෫෦ඁ෧෦෮ඁ෦ඁ**෦ඁ෧ඁඁ නතුනු අර්ගියි යැදී ම දිනු <mark>ਫ਼ਖ਼ਫ਼ਫ਼ਜ਼ਫ਼ਜ਼੶ਜ਼ੑੵਫ਼ਫ਼ਜ਼ਫ਼ਫ਼</mark>ਖ਼ਫ਼ਫ਼ਫ਼ੑਜ਼ਜ਼ੑਸ਼ਖ਼ੑ ව්ය සංජ්යය අත් අතර වීම වාංද වීම ව 12 <u>ඁ෧෧෯෭෯෭෦ඁ෯ඁ</u>෮෧ඁ෮෮෮෯෧෫ඁ෧෧෪෧෫෧෧ඁ किन वर्षे हैं। का निश्चिम विश्व विश्व विश्व विश्व की किन्तु की किन्तु की किन्तु की किन्तु की किन्तु की किन्तु किन्तु की ह्णशास्त्रका व्यक्त විස-වේ<u>ටා විවි</u>ව්වර්ථ්ය රද්දී එම <u>රුවර් වේග්රීම් වර්ගම් විස්වර්</u> .డం**దే**తదర్శోబెక్షన్ల**ల**డి ఈయే 4నిపి డాడయెక్క్ వదర్శలక్ష్మా త్రిలే చేస్తే ప్రా<u>లు దేది</u> ०थारणविकासादि विवास्तर विवास **දි. ක්**රාස් ක්රාජ්ම නැති යිද්දි සහ විධ <u> එයන කයයුදිග සිරමුදී සිටුව යි. දී ද වි</u> <u>るればれんりのあっているようかんしゅ</u> र्ज्य अधिकार विकास करियों के इस सार्व के एकाः की स्कृतिकार के के कार्य के कार्य ক্রানা বিভ্রাক্ত বিশ্ব ক্রিমিন কর্মিন কর্মিন কর্মিন ক্রিমিন ক <u>व्यक्त त्रात्र प्राप्त क्रिया के व्यक्त स्वत्र प्राप्त क्रिया क</u> ్రీ నాం లే స్ట్రాశైద్వ డిచ్చారు మార్చి మార్చు మార్చి మార్చు మార్చి మార్చి మార్చి మార్చి మార్చి మార్చి మార్చి మ మార్చి మార్గి మార్చ য**েরভ্রে**ফারার্মানর্ভানর্ভানিত্র ঠারি সামী ইন্ডান্ড টি এক ॅशिंटजुं ठेडेक व्यर्भाने उत्तर किंत के के विकास कर किंत के कि রপ্রশ্রেতি**ত**়নজ্জনজ্জরন্ম<u>র ওচ্চিচ্চিত্র</u> **෧ඁ෮ඁඁ෧෩෦෫ඁ෦෫ඁ෧෩෦෭෦෯෨෦෧෮෦෫ඁ෦෫෧෩** ෮ඁඁඁ෪ඁ෩෫ඁ෧ඁඁඁ෧ඁඁ෧ඁ෪**෨෧෧෧෧෧෧**෮෫෧ඁඁ෫ඁ෧ඁ෫ඁ෪෧ඁ෧ඁ ともきのあっないのかっとうのもである。 තය **දා ගැන්නියා ක්**ලෙසුල්ස්ද්ර්ලි කයන්නේ සු පුත්වෙන්වර්තික්ම් යුව්වර්ගීන් එත්වෙන්වේග වීයි: ్తిపై చ్యా. ంద్రక్షనుజువర్గాంత్రి ఉన్నాయిక లేపు నిర్మహిక్క ౕబ్ చెద్దికితోగాని ఈందుల్లో **శని**ల్లే ప్రచిత్రత్తున్నే లో బర్గా క్రాంక్ష్మాలోకల్పుకుంట్ చింది. మీక్ 🗖 විධර 19 හිරවලවර වැඩ රුදුර ඊනුල නුණු

र्वे व्यविद्यानिक विश्व विष्य विश्व र्थे प्रमुख्य के किस्से हैं की किस के कि किस के किस क ත්ත් රියා ධ්රව නවා වද්ග සිදු දී දී ්රීස්**ය**ගනිම්වන්දේ කුණුවන්දේ ද <u>ชงห์</u>อาศูขธิ์สังส์ที่ก็ผู้เอ่มสาดาราธ उद्भाव में किया में किया में किया में किया में किया है। **्राम्यान विद्याला करा है का** न जिस्से हैं के कि है)మంగాయుడ్ర**్**లా రాణమై **ప్రద**ా येव निवन । ठ व्यं भी व्यं विश्व के दे **ୗଧ୍ୟ ନ**ଧ୍ୟ ପ୍ରଶ୍ରକ୍ତ ଅନ୍ତର୍ଶ୍ୱର ଅନ୍ତର ଅନ୍ତର ଅନ୍ତର୍ଶ୍ୱର ଅନ୍ତର ଅନ 70 कि विवेद्य क्रिक्ट के स्टेस्स्य <u> राज्यवाक्षर्यं राज्याक्ष्में हैं कि भागवा राज्य</u> 72 1019 सारी विकास के ति विकास समित िया हाप्राह्म व्याह्म स्थापित 74 येक्ठें तर्वा ब्लाट्स हों विवास विशेष 位がかかかないるるものがかざできるること 78 විරාධ්යර්දීණ බුහු මිනු මුල් දැන්වී क्रवंद्रविवर्गित प्रमाणको के कार करने 78 रात्री विक्री मधेक शिक्ष के त्राक धिवन दिया वस स्यानं इन्सा विवाद में ज ন্ হত উত্তীৱন্দতি এটা দিল্ল ছাত্ৰ কৰিছিল <u>४१ १ मं वंशी वे एक कि कि कि वे प्राप्त के कि कि विश्व प्राप्त में हैं कि कि विश्व कि कि विश्व कि विश्व कि विश्व कि</u> 84 රාන්ර ගැනුවූ ගැන්නා මහල් සම්වූ සම්වූ සම්වූ शृष्ट्र**ी ते ति विकास के अंग्रिक का विकास के अंग्रिक के अंग्रिक के अंग्रिक के अंग्रिक के अंग्रिक के अंग्रिक के अ** 86 රූරාමම් ල්වුද්වම් කිරී රන්ඩලින් නිවැනියේ <u>සමුන් ද්වද්රද්ද කුණු දැන් දෙන් සහද්ධ වාණ් ජෙන් අ</u> <u>్రైవేగా నిందుదు వృశగయాచ్చర్చిక్రుతా చెంతుం సమ్మ</u> ిచ్చనాండు ఓ క్రిమాని రాష్ట్రాల్ చేస్తున్నారి చేస్తున్నారి చేస్తున్నారి చేస్తున్నారి చేస్తున్నారి చేస్తున్నారి 92 : බැග්ටීමට මර්ගේඩම වැනුවේ සිදුව සිදුව සිදුව

<u> ೫೮. ಕ್ಷಿಯ ಉಯ್ಯ ಎಂದ್ರಿ ಕ್ರಿಪ್ಟೆಡ್ಗಳಿಗೆ 1</u> कें इंदिरिश्वना दिख्यां प्रदेश के सिंदे वा से प्रदेश है है है है 102 රීංග හිඩියා ස්ස් පිලිබේ ලේක්දී ස් ර क्षा ज जिस्सिक्य का विश्व किया के सन्दे या एए शिक्क कर्ने दिन अने स्टेश से अंगिर्ग किंग www.hyourgenanderoc.-an 108 এত প্রতিষ্ঠানী প্রতিষ্ঠানী প্রতিষ্ঠানী বিষ্ తాయాతిడ్డాని ఉత్తత్త్వేగ్ల ప్రాటం కారు 😽 త్రిప్రక్షి*నిస్పే* చేయం కొర్పికు కాల్వీ చేయిన్న **ଝିଡ଼ି**ଙ୍ଗାବ୍ରପଞ୍ଜି ଓଟ୍ଲି ଓନ୍ନିରିସ୍ୟରଣ୍ଟିଦ୍ୟ ଚଣ୍ଡି **૱**૽ૢઌઌ૿ૡૺ૽૾ૹૣૻૹૢૺૡૢૻઌઌ૽ૢ૽ૢ૽ૢૢૢૢૢ૽ૢઌ૽૽ૢૻઌ૽ૹૢૣૢૢૢૢ૱ૡૺ रित्रा स्कार्यकार्यके स्वार्थित स्वार्य स्वार्थित स्वार्थित स्वार्थित स्वार्थित स्वार्थित स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वार्य स्वा सुक्रा॰ सद्देशतहार श्रुवे क्वा के के दिए से स्व ଚିତ୍ରମାର୍ଟ୍ର <mark>କ୍ରିଆନ୍ମ୍ୟର୍ମ୍ବର</mark> ଅନ୍ୟର୍ଗ <mark>ଅନ୍ୟର୍</mark> <u>ද්ය අතුම වැන්නේ සංකර් කිරීම වැන්න මෙම එන්</u> 120 **3ddd 00 4dd 6**P0/81600 00 0 ૱૰ૹઌ*૽*ૢૢઌૢ૱ઌ૽૽ઌૢ૽૱ 122 දීම් වූරුම් යා හැඳී ස් ප්රීජී රීක් දී නිවා සිට 124 रक्षण्यम् इत्यम् वर्षे द्वार्ष्यम् । १८५ EBE addition and the California of the Californi 126 यमकार्गा कर्मिय में मुख्या स्थापित र्गाट्य अस्ट्रिस्ट 128: ୯୬୩୯୯୯୬ ନିର୍ଯ୍ୟ ନ୍ତିର ଅଧିକ ବ୍ୟୁକ୍ତ ଓ ଓ ଅନ୍ତ୍ର మైట్రాలు (జ్ఞుఖ్యండనులు జా బీకుల బ్ දිගල දීට සහ අන්ත් ලෝ අප සහ දීවා දිරිගම 132 බුහුදා හැරිරක්ගල ඇතුළු ඉඩක්ත රූ පෙති දියුතු ලකා හිලිහුව යන්, යු ශ්ලිං සිද්දිරාදුග 134 हैं वर्ष ता वर्ष के कि विश्व के विद्यां वर्ष के विद्यां वर्यां वर्ष के विद्यां वर्यां वर्यां वर्यां वर्यां वर्यां वर्यां वर्यां वर्यां वर्

- 121 ष्ठां जाय[:*] श्रीगणपतीम्बरस्यास्य ॥ [४५*] दिवि गण-
- 122 पतीखरश्रीमहादेवरक पदिनेनिमिदि विष-
- 123 यसुल उभय नाना देसियु नंगेगड्डनिचि-
- 124 न पायम् कलम्नं भे \mathfrak{t}^1 चिद्ममु ॥ गण्प-
- 125 तिदेवमहाराज्यकुं व्यसुगानु जाय-
- 126 पनायकुंडु पेहिन वृत्तुलु [।*] एनुंबध्धातनु
- 127 पुट्लु ३ । पेइमहालिनि पुट्लु ३ । कु€ भहालिनि [पु]-
- 128 ट्लु २ । स्थानंपृंडिनि पुट्लु २ । नेंतलकीड् $[\tau]$ -
- 129 नु पुट्लु २ । पूनिकोंडनु पुट् ३ । चीकुलप-
- 130 क्रिनि पुद्र र । कैं। किप्र€्णतनु पुद्र र । पंचुंब-
- 131 भ्रातन पुर्नु २ । चेवेंड्न पुर्नु २ । दोनेपूंडि-
- 132 नि पुट्लु ४ । कारमूरनु पुट्लु २ । श्रीडपांगुल पे-
- 133 हिन पोलम् [\mathfrak{l}^*] कौतिपत्तिनि पुर्लु २ । ब्रॅकिटि पुर्लु २ [\mathfrak{l}^*]
- 134 जायपनायकुंड अखंडदीपम्नकुं बे-
- 135 हिन मोदालु २५ ॥

TRANSLATION.

A .- Sanskrit Portion.

- (Verse 1.) Let him bestow prosperity upon you, the boar-shaped lord of Prosperity (Vishņu), who, in order to carry with ease on (his) tusk the Earth which (he) had imperceptibly (and) quickly raised from the ocean, grew (to such an extent that) his body was squeezed with difficulty into the aggregate of (all) the worlds, before she (viz. the Earth) could praise (him) with words appropriate for the request to place (her) in her (original) position!
- (V. 2.) Victorious is the sickle of the moon on the head of Śambhu (Śiva), which purifies the worlds by (its) rays, consisting of masses of nectar, (and) which resembles a water-spout, attached to a glittering golden vessel,— the matted hair of him (Śiva) who bears the cool and clear water of the Gangâ (river).
- (V. 3.) Let him protect you, the elephant-faced (Ganésa), the bees near whose rutting (temples) resemble lovely blue water-lilies near a great mountain torrent!
- (V. 4.) There is on earth a mighty (and) lovely city, called Anmakonda, the ornament of the Andhra country (and) the family capital of the kings who have sprung from the race of Kakati.
- (V. 5.) In this (city) resided king Prôla, (who) protected the earth by the strength of his arms, (and) in the fire of whose valour hostile kings from all sides were (burnt like) moths.
- (V. 6.) By him some kings were cut up with the sword, as Mantena-Guṇḍa; others were deprived of (their) elephants and horses on the battle-field, as Tailapadêva; others were driven away far from the battle, as Gôvinda-Daṇḍêśa; (and) others were (again) installed in their respective dominions, as king Chôḍôdaya.

¹ Read बह (i.e. पेट्ट).

² Read पृट्ल.

- (V. 7.) This king Prôla had two sons by Muppaladêvî, the two renowned princes Rudra and Mahâdêva, (who proved) lions to the rutting elephants (which were) hostile kings.
- (V. 8.) In the absence of (his) father, the earth was ruled by king Rudra, the only here in the world, the mighty forest-fire of whose valour burnt the crowd of rival kings, as a jungle.
- (V. 9.) The towns which he had rased to the ground, were known (only) by the quarters which (he) founded in the city of Orungallu under their respective names, and peopled with their respective inhabitants; while in these same towns, which had been made his own, (he) built celebrated temples, named Śri-Rudreśwara, and settled fresh inhabitants.
- (V. 10.) As a father (his) children, this king made (his) subjects prosper by nonrishing, gladdening, punishing, protecting (and) fondling (them).
- (V. 11.) After king Rudra had gone to heaven, the earth was cherished by king Mahâdêva, the rising sun of whose valour extinguished the light of (other) kings, as of stars.
- (V. 12.) To this great king Mahâdêva was born by Bayyâmbikâ the brilliant lord Gaṇapati, the light of (his) race, whose hands were able to bear the whole (burden) of the earth.
- (V. 13.) In the points of the horizon are spreading the moon-white creepers of fame, which have grown on the battle-fields that were flooded with the showers of the rutting-juice, dripping from the temples of his furious lordly elephants; repeatedly ploughed by the hard hoofs of (his) galloping tall steeds; (and) covered 3 with the seed of masses of pearls, dropping from the heads of the elephants of (his) enemies.
- (V. 14.) Resplendent is he whose vast kingdom grows day by day, as he is continually resorted to by all the kings of the races of the Moon and of the Sun, either subdued by his own arms or subdued by others, (and) taking refuge (with him).
- (V. 15.) The beloved servant of this king Ganapati is the glorious general Jâya. His descent is described in the following (verses):—
- (V. 16.) In this Kali (age) was produced from the renowned race of Ayya the valorons Bhîma, who chastised those enemies who were hard to be managed, (and) easily fought those who were hard to be overcome.⁴
- (V. 17.) This Bhîma, who equalled Dhanada (Kuvêra), caused the residence of (his) race, the village named Kroyyûru in the country of Velanâṇḍu, the ornament of the earth, to equal (Kuvêra's city) Alakâ in wealth.
- (V. 18.) To him were born by Rachyâmbikâ three (sons), named Jilla, Nârâyaṇa, and Sûraya, by whom, as by the (three) constituents of (his) power, king Chôdi overcame (all his) enemies on earth.
- (V. 19.) Having conquered Kannâradêva in battle, Jilla, the strength of whose arms was brilliant, received from his lord the dignity of general, along with a palanquin, a parasol, and all other emblems.
- (V. 20.) His younger brother was Narâyaṇa, who was always devoted to the interests of (his) lord, (and) who converted all the enemies of king Chôḍi into servants by policy and valour.

¹ s.e. after his father's death.

³ The usual meaning of rațika is 'a garden.'

Akrita appears to be a grammatical blunder for akirna.

⁴ This verse alludes to the Mahabharata, according to which Duhisseans and Duryodhans were killed by

E The three saktis of a king are prabhara, utsaha and mantra.

- (V. 21.) At the command of (his) lord, he converted this Dvîpa, which Dhanada (Kuvêra) had formerly created at the junction of the Krishnavênî (i.e. the Krishnâ river) and the salt-sea, into a fortress which was hard to be entered by enemies (and) pleasant to the residents.
- (V. 22.) He converted **Dvìpa**, which had been previously uninhabitable by men, into a city which was fit for the residence of a king, as it shone with whitewashed mansions, upstair-houses, palaces, towers, and lofty ramparts; as its site was adorned with extensive gardens which teemed with various flowers and fruits; (and) as its glittering fields of paddy and sugar-cane were inundated by the water of brimful tanks in the neighbourhood.
- (V. 23.) He constructed in this **Dvîpa** the **Chôḍasamudra** tank and the **Chôḍasamudra** temple, (both of which were called) after the name of (his) lord, and the **Bhîmêśvara** temple, (which was called) after the name of (his) father.
- (V. 24.) He built in the same (place) levely temples of Vishņu and of Karâla-Bhairava, of Baṇḍnladêvî (and) of Mahâkâlî.
- (V. 25.) Further, he constructed in the village called Vadlakurru the Bhîmasamudra tank, (and) a lovely temple of Siva, called Bhîmêsvara, (both of which were) named after (his) father.
- (V. 26.) The lord, who was pleased with (his) valour, granted to this Narayana the lordship over Dvipa and the mastership of the Gontu villages (palli).
- (V. 27.) Knowing (him to be) a conqueror of wealth, a great hero, (and) able to govern (his) country, king Chôdi also appointed the same Nârâyana (his) general.
- (V. 28.) To this renowned Nârâyana were born by Nârâmbâ four sons, resplendent as the sun,— Chôdi, Bhîma, the renowned Pinna-Chôdi, and Bramma by name.
- (V. 29.) These four excellent warriors resemble the (four) oceans, as they are the refuge of Brâhmanas (Bâḍaba), (just as the oceans are the seats of the submarine fire); they resemble the (four) expedients of the king, as they accomplish (his) objects; (and) they resemble the (four) arms of (Vishnu) the enemy of Mura, as they embrace Fortune.
- (V. 30.) (These) four chiefs of warriors procured by the strength of (their) arms the victory over the four quarters to the king who was the lord of the Chôda country.
- (V. 31.) As Śrî (is the wife) of Vishņu, Gir (Sarasvatî) of the lotus-born (Brahmâ), the mountain-daughter (Pârvatî) of Śambhu (Śiva), Rati of Kâma, Śachî of (Indra) the lord of the gods, Ushâ of the Sun, (and) Rôhiṇî of the Moon,— the chaste wife of the virtuous lord, the glorious Pinna-Chôḍi, was Dâmâmbâ, who fulfilled the desires of supplicants, (as) the celestial cow.
- (V. 32.) This couple ² had two daughters, Naramba and Peramamba, (and) three sons, called Prithva, Jaya, and Narayana.
- (V. 33.) Though the middlemost of these three brothers, the general Jâya is the chief (of them) in ability, just as (Arjuna) the middlemost of the Pândavas.
- (V. 34.) At this time the ornament of princes, king Gaṇapati, having easily subdued the lords of Chôla, Kalinga, Sêvaṇa, great Karṇāṭa, and Laṭa, (and) ruling the territory between the Southern ocean and the Vindhya mountain, made the whole country of Velanaṇḍu, together with Dvìpa, subject to himself.
- (V. 35.) The king carried to his city a mass of handsome women, fine men, excellent elephants and horses, and various kinds of precious stones, which he had seized throughout this country of Velanandu.

- (V. 36.) Then king Ganapati took to wife that Narama and Perama, whose beauty, elegance and grace were unrivalled in the three worlds.
- (V. 37.) The king welcomed and took into his service their younger brother, the handsome Jâyana, who, in spite of his youth, commanded respect on account of the great modesty, wisdom, eleverness, firmness, profundity and bravery, indicated by (his) face.
- (V. 38.) Then, pleased by (his) deeds, the king joyfully granted to this Jâyana the dignity of a general (and) of a commander of the elephant-troop, along with a palanquin, a parasol, and other emblems.
- (V. 39.) Having been appointed general by his lord, surrounded by wise men, (and) full of power, young Jâya, the slayer of hostile warriors, resembles (the god) Kumâra, who has been appointed general by (Indra) the lord of the gods, is surrounded by gods, (and) bears a spear.
- (V. 40.) The edge of his sword (is) the only messenger, (announcing) to powerful enemies (their approaching) union with celestial nymphs; (and) his policy (is) the messenger, (announcing) to his beloved (master) the union with the fortunes of other kings.
- (V. 41.) He who was distinguished by the name Vairigôdhûmagharaṭṭa,¹ formerly became a (mere) mouthful for the point of his (viz. Jâya's) sword, that was about to devour all the brave enemies in battles.
- (V. 42.) He is ashamed at the praise of (his) liberality, which meets (his) ears, (thinking), it seems ²:— "What are my gifts (worth), (if) a single lord of the twice-born (viz. the Moon) gets entirely emaciated in every (dark) fortnight; (if) a single scholar (viz. the planet Mercury), having lost most of his wealth (or light), always approaches (another) wealthy man (viz. the Sun); (and if) a single poet (viz. the planet Venus), being bewildered, does not rise for some days?"
- (V. 43.) He possesses offspring in the shape of the following seven (acts) which (he) has duly fulfilled:— (The procreation of) a son, the composition (of a poem), (the hoarding of) a treasure, (the planting of) a grove, the marriage (of a girl to a Brāhmaṇa), (the consecration of) a temple, and (the construction of) a tank.³
- (V. 44.) In this Dvîpa, founded by his grandfather Nârâyaṇa, this general Jâya himself caused to be built, out of true devotion, this lofty (and) substantial temple, equal to the Kailâsa mountain, of Mahâdêva, who has the shape of a linga (and) is called Gaṇapêśvara after the name of king Gaṇapati.
- (V. 45.) In the Śâka (year) measured by the qualities (3), the arrows (5), and the Bhavas (11), (i.e. 1153), in the (cyclic) year Khara, in the bright (fortnight) of Mâdhava, on the tithi of Gauri,— Jâya performed the consecration of this blessed Ganapatisvara.

B.—Telugu Portion.

(Line 121.) To the god Mahâdêva of the Gaṇapatiśvara (temple) at Divi the various inhabitants of the eighteen districts (vishaya) (on) both (sides of the Kṛishṇâ river) gave at Nangegadḍa (as) revenue a large fanam (chinna) on (every) boat.

¹ i.e. 'the grinding-stone to the wheat (which was) the enemy.' This must have been a surname of the first of Jâya's artagonists.

The actual reason of Jaya's being ashamed at the praise of his liberality is, of course, his great modesty.

² These are the seven kinds of offspring (samtdna or samtati) to which verse 9 of the Vanapalli plates of Anna-Vêma alludes; ante, p. 64, note 3.

⁴ See verse 21 f.

³ Bhava is used for 11, because it is synonymous with Rudra. Compare Siva-sata=1100, Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 202, note 48.

⁵ This is another name of the lunar month of Vaisakha.

(L. 124.) For the merit of Gaṇapatidêva-Mahârâja, Jâyapa-Nâyaka granted (the following) shares (vritti):— Three puțți în Enumbaruta. Three puțți în Pedda-Maddâli. Two puțți în Kuru-Maddâli. Two puțți în Ayanampûndi. Two puțți în Nentalakodûru. Three puțți în Prûnikonda. Two puțți în Chîkulapalli. Two puțți în Kaundiparuta. Two puțți în Pañchumbaruta. Two puțți în Chevendru. Four puțți în Donepûndi. Two puțți în Kâramûru.

(L. 132.) In (the district of) Odapangulu (he) granted (the following) land:— Two puțți in Kautepalli. Two puțți (in) Vrenkați.

(L. 134.) For a perpetual lamp Jâyapa-Nâyaka granted twenty-five cows.

POSTSCRIPT.

I avail myself of this opportunity for correcting a mistake in my edition of the Êkâmranâtha inscription of Gaṇapati. In line 11 of this inscription (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 201), write वाचोवातावपक्षीवव्याचित्रः as one word, and add a footnote: "Read व्याचार." In the translation of verse 15 (ibid. p. 202), read: "who was the best of the smooth gems of the Tâmraparṇî (which was his mother) Vâchâmbâ." That Vâchâmbâ was the mother of Gaṇapati's minister Sâmanta-Bhôja, and that Dôchi, who is referred to in verses 15 to 17 of the Êkâmranâtha inscription, was his father, follows from the subjoined short Grantha inscription on a stone in front of the Maṇikaṇthêśvara shrine at Kâļahasti in the North Arcot district.

	TEXT.		
1	स्रक्ति ची [॥] यस्य	8	नाथ: [।*] सीयं
2	त्रीमन्त्रिदोचिर्गण-	9	त्रीकाळ्चस्ती खर-
3	पतिनृपराज्याव-	10	पुरमकरोदित्यस-
4	तंसः पिताभूत्'	11	न्धिप्रतिष्ठं श्रीमत्स-
5	वाचाम्बा सापि	12	ामन्तभीजी गण-
6	रत्नं युवतिष् जन-	13	पतिसचिव: काखप-
7	नी दैवतं सोम-	14	स्राध्यगोत्रः ॥

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity!

He whose father was the glorious minister Dôchi, the ornament of the kingdom of king Gaṇapati; (whose) mother (was) Vâchâmbâ, the gem among women; (and whose favourite) deity (was) Sômanâtha (Śiva),— that glorious Sâmanta-Bhôja, who belonged to the renowned gôtra of the Kâsyapas, the minister of king Gaṇapati, caused daily offerings to be established in the city of the blessed Kâlahastlávara.

¹ According to Brown's Telugu Dictionary, p. 623, the putti is the Indian ton-weight, equal to twenty time (marakkdl in Tamil). "The putti and its fractions also denote the extent of land that produces this quantity of grain."

² No. 201 of 1892 in my Annual Report for 1892-93.

From two inked estampages, prepared by my First Assistant, Mr. Venkayya.

⁴ Read کہرچ.

⁵ This is the name of the large Saiva temple at Kâlahasti, which contains the so-called Air-Linga (Vdyulinga).

No. 16.- YENAMADALA INSCRIPTION OF GANAPAMBA.

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An abridged English translation of this inscription, based on a copy from the collection of Colonel Colin Mackenzie, was published by Mr. Gordon Mackenzie in the Manual of the Kistna District, p. 13 f. The original is engraved on four faces of a pillar in the village of Yenamadala in the Guntur tâlukâ of the Kistna district.2 The pillar is now lying in the temple of Vênugôpâla. Before its removal to this place of comparative safety, the villagers were using it for grinding chunnam on it. This objectionable practice has led to the destruction of a considerable portion of the inscription. The first and second faces, which bear an inscription in the Telugu alphabet and the Sanskrit language, are somewhat worn, but still legible. Of the third face, however, which, as the published version of Colonel Mackenzie's copy shows, formerly contained the first half of a long passage in the Telugu alphabet and language, only the first seven lines are now visible, while the remaining lines are worn smooth, with the exception of one, two, or three letters at the beginning, and at the end, of each line. The fourth face, which contains the end of the Telugu portion, and three other Telugu inscriptions of slightly later date, is again in tolerably good preservation. The last of the Telugu inscriptions on the fourth face is continued at the bottom of the first face, which had been left blank by the engraver of the first inscription. Finally, a short Telugu inscription, which looks quite recent, but has been mistaken for a portion of the first inscription, is engraved at the bottom of the second face.

Besides the two later additions on their lowermost portions, the first and second faces of the pillar bear, as stated above, an inscription in the Telugu alphabet and the Sanskrit language. It consists of twenty-five verses, the first two of which are addressed to Ganésa and the Boar-incarnation of Vishnu. Verse 3 refers to the race of the Kâkatîsas, or, as they are more generally called, Kâkatîyas. As in the Ganapêsvaram inscription (ante, p. 82), the list of kings opens with Prôla (v. 4). His son Mâdhava (v. 5) must be identical with Mahâdêva, who was the son of Prôla and younger brother of Rudra according to the Êkâmranâtha and Ganapêsvaram inscriptions. This Mâdhava is stated to have lost his life in battle (v. 5). His son was Ganapati (v. 6) or Ganapa (vv. 7, 15, 23), whose daughter was Ganapâmbâ (vv. 8, 21) or Ganapâmbîkâ (vv. 9, 15, 25).

Verses 10 to 14 describe a dynasty of local chiefs, who ruled over the district of Konnatavaq1⁴ (v. 11) and resided at Śri-Dhanyańkapura ⁵ (vv. 10, 17, 21), i.e. Amaravatî in the Satterapalle tâlukâ of the Kistna district. These are: Kêta ⁶ (v. 10 f.), who gave away seventy agrahâras on the southern bank of the Verna ⁷ (v. 12), his son Rudra (v. 13), and the latter's son Bêta (v. 14). To this Bêta, the princess Ganapâmbikâ was given in marriage by her father Ganapa (v. 15).

¹ See Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 319 f.

ibid. p. 77. There is another village of the same name in the Narasaravnpêta tâlukâ; ibid. p. 74.

² In the abridged English translation, it is represented by the two last lines on p. 14 of the Kistna Manual.

4 According to the Telugu portion of the inscription (see p. 95 below), this district appears to have

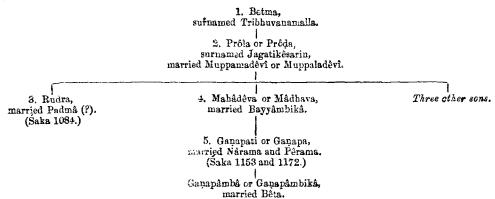
According to the leugh portion of the inscription (see p. 95 below), this district appears to have consisted of six thousand villages on the southern bank of the Krishak river.

⁵ This name is synonymous with Dhainñakata in two Prâkrit inscriptions (Zeitschr. D. M. G. Vol. XXXVII. p. 548), and with Dhânyaghata or Dhânyaghataka in a Sanskrit inscription (South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 25), all from Amarâvatî.

⁶ In his Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 64, Mr. Sewell notices three inscriptions of this chief on a pillar at the Amarêsvara temple in Amarêsvara. One of these is stated to contain the date Saka-Samvat 1104.

Vernå and Vênî (ante, p. 82, note 2) are abbreviated forms of Krishnaverna (South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 28) or Krishnaveni (ante, p. 91, verse 21), the Krishna (Kistna) river.

In the subjoined pedigree of the Kakatiya dynasty, I have added the new details, supplied by the Gaṇapêśvaram and Yenamadala inscriptions, to the list which I had previously published.¹



After the death of Bêta (v. 16), his widow devoted herself to pious works. She placed golden pinnacles on the shrine of Amarêsvara at Śrî-Dhânyânkapura (Amarâvatî) and built "in this city," i.e. probably at Yenamadala, a temple of Śiva, which she called Bêtêśvara after her deceased husband (vv. 17 to 19), and to which she allotted the revenue of the village of Bonadêvî (v. 20). At Śrî-Dhânyânkapura (v. 21), she built another temple of Śiva, which she called Ganapêśvara after her father, king Ganapa (v. 23), and granted to this temple the village of Chintapâḍu (v. 24). Of the three temples which are mentioned in connection with Ganapâmbâ, the first, Amarêśvara, still exists at Amarâvatî. The second, Bêtêśvara, cannot now be traced at Yenamadala. I do not know if the third, Gaṇapêśvara, still exists at Amarâvatî.

As regards the Telugu inscriptions on the pillar, the first of them, which occupies parts of the third and the fourth faces, is a continuation of the Sanskrit inscription on the two preceding faces. This follows from the contents of the preserved portion on the fourth face, and from the abridged English translation of the third face in the Kistna Manual. At the top of the mutilated third face, some of the titles of the queen are still preserved. The only remarkable one among these titles, which the queen appears to have inherited from her deceased husband Bèta and his ancestors, and which are accordingly in the masculine gender, is: Srimat-Trinayana-Pallava-prasad-asadhita-Krishna-3 re[r]nnd-nadî-dakshina-shatsahasr-ûvanî-vallabha; "the lord of a district of six thousand (villages) on the southern (bank) of the river Krishnaverna, obtained through the favour of the glorious Trinayana-Pallava." The abridged translation supplies the date Saka-Samvat 1172, the Saumya samvatsara, which is now lost in the original, but which there Is no reason to distrust, as the cyclic year Saumya actually corresponds to the Saka year 1172 (A.D. 1249-50). It follows from this date that Ganapamba erected the pillar during the Efetime of her father Ganapati, whose inscription in the Ekâmranâtha temple at Kâñch? 13 dated on the 8th June, A.D. 1249, and who appears to have died in Saka-Samvat 1180.5 On the fourth face we are told, in Telugu, that, "having set up the god Ganapêśvara, (the queen) granted, in order to procure prosperity (abhirriddhi) to her father, Ganapadêva-Mahârâja, for the requirements (angarangabhêge) of that god, for as long as the moon and the sun shall talure, the village of Chintapalli." The inscription of Ganapamba ends with a list of the

¹ Ind. Art. Vet. XXI, p. 197.

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Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 63 f.

⁴ P.d. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 122.

servants of the temple of Gaṇapêśvara, and of the extent of the shares of the village which were allotted to each of them. Chintapalli is evidently another form of Chintapâdu, the village which was granted to the Gaṇapêśvara temple according to verse 24 of the Sanskrit portion. It may be identified with the modern Chintapalle in the Sattenapalle tâlukâ,¹ which is about 16 miles distant to the W.-N.-W. from Amarâvatî, the residence of Gaṇapâmbâ, and which accordingly may have been included in her dominions.

The four remaining Telugu inscriptions which the pillar contains, are the following :-

A .- On the fourth face.

- No. 1.—An undated grant of 25 cows by Kôṭad[ê]varâju. The milk of these cows was to be used for the preparation of ghee for a lamp in the temple of Bêtêśvara.
- No. 2.—A grant of a herd of sheep for a lamp in the temple of Bêtêśvara. Date: Śakavarsha 1192 [expired], the Pramôda samvatsara, Pushya śuddha 13, Friday, Makara-samkrānti.

B.—On the fourth and first faces.

No. 3.—A grant of 2[5] buffalo-cows to the temple of Bêtêśvara. Date: Śakavarsha 11[9]6 [expired], the Bhâva samvatsara, Âśvayuja śu[ddha] 1.

C .- On the second face.

No. 4.—An undated, apparently recent inscription, which records that in Enumandalasthala (i.e. the village of Yenamadala) and in the sixty villages connected with Enumandala, temples and Brâhmanas are exempt from taxes (sunkha).

The last of these four inscriptions supplies an earlier form of the modern name Yenamadala; and the three former ones, which record gifts to the local Saiva temple of Bêtêśvara, suggest that this temple originally contained the pillar on which they and the inscription of Gaṇapâmbâ are engraved. As previously remarked, the Bêtêśvara temple, which was founded by Gaṇapâmbâ, cannot at present be traced in the village of Yenamadala. Another possibility remains, viz. that the words "in this city" in verse 17 refer to the preceding word Śrî-Dhânyânkapura. In this case the temple of Bêtêśvara would have to be looked for at Amarâvatî; and it would have to be assumed that the pillar was removed from Amarâvatî to Yenamadala at any time between the date of the Telugu inscription No. 3, and the date of the modern Telugu inscription No. 4. As, however, it is extremely unlikely that anybody should have conceived the idea of transporting a heavy stone pillar all the way from Amarâvatî to Yenamadala, I prefer to adopt the previous alternative, viz. that the temple of Bêtêśvara, which originally contained the pillar, was located at Yenamadala.

TEXT.

A .- First Face.

- 1 [त्री] त्री [॥*] इष्टार्श्वप्राप्तिसं-
- 2 तुष्टै: प्रण्तं ना िकोनां गणै:।
- 3 [मा]यी विघृतम[सू]यी गणे-
- 4 शं भजतानिशं ॥ [१*] क्रीडाक्रो डि]ाक्रतेर्वि-

¹ Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 64. There is another village of the same name in the Palnad taluka; ibid. p. 56.

² From inked estampages.

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5 प्योईप्रादंडी जयत्वसी । धावी
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- 6 [हे]मादिकलगा यत च्छतानु-
- 7 कारिकी ॥ [२*] स्वस्ति त्रीकाकतीग्रानां
- 8 वंधी जग[ति] विश्वत: । यव
- 9 जाता धरित्रीया: [ची]णीर[चा]सु-
- 10 शिचिता: ॥ [३*] [त]ब्रासीयथि[ती]रुवि-
- 11 क्रमचणः प्रीलचितीशायणीः (1)
- 12 चार्ते[भ्रा]तुकुकांतकः परि-
- 13 [प]रै: स[बी]तिशास्त्रीज्वतः । यस्या-
- 14 द्यापि विशालविश्वत[त]रक्रू-
- 15 'रप्रतापी ज्वल- (1) ज्योति:खंड
- 16 इव प्रचंडिकरण: खेळत्य $[\ddot{z}]^3$
- 17 खे रवि: ॥ [8*] जाती माधवभू[प*]-
- 18 [ति]मीुणगिरिस्तसाबाहीवसभात्' (।) [य]-
- 19 स्सुषा सु[म]हाहवे गजवधू-
- 20 कुंभइयस्वीपरि । प्रस्थाता-
- 21 [प्स]रस स्त[न] दयतटे प्राबीधि
- 22 योधाग्रणी:⁵ (॥) लीके स्थातवि-
- 23 शालनिर्मालयशा वीरित्रया-
- 24 मात्रय: ॥ [५*] संजातस्तस्य पुत्र(:)-
- 25 स्त्रिभुवनतिस्त्रको विक्रमादैत-
- 26 वादी दृष्यद्राजन्य[चू]डाम-
- 27 णिमकुटतटीनर्त्तिताचाप्रचं-
- 28 ड: । बुद्देर्वित्रामभूमिर्ग-
- 29 खपतिन्द्रपतिः पार्व्वतीश्रप्रसा-
- 30 दमाप्तप्रस्थातसंपत्⁶ जितभु-
- 31 वनरमा[र]चिताभेष[ली]क: ॥ [६*] य-
- 32 त्नीर्त्तेसक[ला दि]शः परिजनाः क्रीडा-
- 33 सरांखर्ब[वा](:)' मेरु: केळिमची-

¹ Read शास्त्रीक्वल:.

s Read ⁰पीकवल.

^{*} The amusudra stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁴ Read वज्रभादा:.

Bead पीसंबि.

Read संपिष्णत.

⁷ Read सरांखचा.

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34 धर: प्रविलस् ब्री लावनं नंदनं ।
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- 35 तत्तारापति[बिं]बमेव सुकुरं
- 36 इम्धे च रीदोंतरं (1) सीयं
- 37 त्रीगर्वपचितीयतिसकः चीणी-
- 38 सतामयणी: ॥ [७*] ची[र]ांभीधि-
- 39 निभात्तसात् भूपात् गांभीर्था-
- 40 [सं]भृतात् । गणपांवा ससु-
- 41 [ज्र]ता साचाज्ञक्यीरिवापरा ॥ [८*]
- 42 [नीतिसा] विनुता विवेकविभवीङ्ग-
- 43 ति: श्रियासुवित- (।) सात्पूजाभिर-
- 44 ति: समग्रविनयशंभी च गति:
- 45 पिरा। एतस्यां गणपांविकानिज-
- 46 तनी पुखा वरेखा गुणा: (1) स-
- 47 ब्वें किं सम्बन्ना जयंति किस वा
- 48 संवेतभाजी सूर्य ॥ [८*] श्रीधान्यां-3
- 49 कपुराधीय: केतराज इति श्रु-
- 50 त: । पखं[डमंड]लाधीशी राजासीद्रा-
- 51 जग्रेखर: ॥ [१०*] की जातवाडी विष[या*]-
- 52 घिनाय: त्रीकेतराज: चिपता-
- 53 रिवर्ग: । धर्मी यदीयं
- 54 प्र[य]तं त्रिलीक्यामदापि स-
- 55 व्वे गणभी गरणंति ॥ [११*] वेरणीया(:)5
- 56 दिचिषे भागे येन धर्माखरू-
- 57 पिणा । महायद्वारतिलकास्य-
- 58 [त]ति: विप्रसात् कता: ॥ [१२*] या-
- 59 सीत्तस्थात्मजी राजा क[द्र]रा-
- 60 ज इति श्रुत: । यत्कीर्त्तिकान्ता
- 61 ग्रहापि [चि]चं दिक्पाललालि-
- 62 ता ॥ [१३*] तेजीध्वस्ताखिलरिपु-

¹ Read पाइपाइमिये.

² Read अकि:

³ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

^{*} The two syllables HS are entered above the line by the engraver.

⁵ The superscribed r of वेक्षी is not distinct; perhaps the actual reading of the original is वेक्षाया:

[•] Read °तिविप्र°.

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63 तमा रूट्रभूपीदया-
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- 64 द्रेरदान्सुचै:1 चितिधरलसमा-
- 65 स्तकंत्यस्तपादः ।

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- 66 बाशापूरप्रगुणवसु-
- 67 [मान्वै]ब्धेसंस्तृतीयं
- 68 सार्थेसाम्यक् जयति नित-
- 69 रां बेतभूपालसूर्य्य[: ॥ १४*]
- 70 सेयं पुरुषतनुः विधाय
- 71 विधिवत् त्रीमदिवाहोत्स-
- 72 वं (1) बेतच्यापतिशेखरा-
- 73 य गलपचीणीम्बरेणाद-
- 74 रात् । दत्ता त्रीगणपानि-
- 75 का गिरिसुतेवेशाय लच्छी थ-
- 76 घा⁵ (1) लच्छीमाय विमासवित्रु-
- 77 तगुरीमॉर्था च सद्या स-
- 78 मा ॥ [१५*] त्रीधान्यांकपुरेम⁶ ॥
- 79 [तया*] सार्व महाराज्यं
- 80 किला*] धर्मी च गाम्रतं । याि-
- 81 [ते बे*][त]चमानाये धन्ये देविं]-
- 82 [द्र*][सं]सदं । [१६*] त्रीधान्यां[क]-
- 83 [पु*]रेमरेश्वरविभोः त्री[म]-
- 84 [द्व]मानोपरि (1) सीवर्फाः कल-
- 85 या ययातिमच्यः स-
- 86 म्यक्प्रतिष्ठापिता[:*] । निर्माया-
- 87 च पुरेषि वेतनिपतेर्वाचा⁸
- 88 विभीचीदिरं (1) भर्तासी
- 89 शिवसीकशामा[त]सुखावा-

[ा] Read ^Cदान् है:.

³ Read सम्बन्धवित.

³ Read तनुविधाय.

⁴ Read a all.

Read out.

[•] These seven syllables were inserted by the engraver through mistake; they follow again in their proper place in line 82 f.

⁷ Read सीवर्षाः

⁸ Read Tudo.

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90 सीखवं प्रापित: । [१७*] भर्तुर्वे-
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- 91 तमशीभर्तुस्तादृक्सक-
- 92 तसिचये । शंभीरायत-
- 93 नं क्रला प्राकारपरिश्रोभि-
- 94 तं ॥ [१८*] तिस्रवायतने सीम्ये
- 95 सीवर्णकलशोज्यले । बेतेख-
- 96 रमचादेवप्रतिष्ठा विच्छि-
- 97 ता तया ॥ [१८*] तस्य रंगांग-
- 98 भीगार्थ तयासी दत्त उ-
- 99 त्रम: । ग्रामसमग्रसया-
- 100 [क्बो] बेनदेवीति विश्वत: ॥ [२०*]
- 101 श्रीधान्यांकपुरे रम्ये [म]-
- 102 इ[ा]लच्चीखरूपया । गण-
- 103 पांबामहादेव्या अन्य श्व
- 104 सुक्ततं कतं ॥ [२१*] ग्रहान् दा-
- 105 दम संपाद्य धितत्तीबापि [च]
- 106 पुष्तला: । द्वादशादित्यसं-
- 107 [क]ामा विप्रासांरचितास्तया [॥] [२२*]
- 108 गणपचितिनाथस्य पितुर्जा-
- 109 न्नापि निर्मितं । गणपी-
- 110 म्बरमिति स्थातं देव-
- 111 तायतनं तया । [२३*] त-
- 112 सी रंगांमाभीगार्श
- 113 गणपीशाय शंभवे ।
- 114 ग्रामी दत्ती महादेखा चिं-6
- 115 त्तपाडुरिति श्रुत: ॥ [२४*]
- 116 यध्वस्ती इरपूजनै-
- 117 कनिरती यस्यास 'द्रिष्टि-
- 118 अती (1) शंभीरन्वहका-

ERead नगपेशाय.

¹ Read सीवर्णकल शोज्य हो.

² The histus at the end of the third pdda is irregular.

³ Read वसी⁰.

⁴ Read नचपे⁰.

⁵ The anuscâra stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁷ Read यहसी.

⁸ Read efe.

- 119 रितीत्ववस्तसंगीतसत्ते
- 120 सदा । इत्थं या दिवसा[-7]
- 121 सुखं गमयति प्राचि]-
- 122 पि राज्ये स्थिता (1) तब्नं
- 123 गलपांबि[का] गिरिसुता
- 124 तस्या स्तुती क: प्रभु: ॥ [२५ *]

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Hail!

- (Verse 1.) Worship ye incessantly the sun (which dispels) the darkness of obstacles, the blessed Ganesa, who is praised by the hosts of celestials, pleased by the attainment of the objects of (their) desires (through his favour)!
- (V. 2.) Victorious is the staff-like tusk of Vishnu, who disported himself in the shape of a boar, (placed) on which (tusk) the Earth resembled a parasol, with the golden mountain (Mêru) as its top.
- (V. 3.) Hail! Renowned in the world is the race of the glorious Kakatisas, the kings born in which are well trained in the protection of the earth.
- (V. 4.) In this (race) was (born) Prôla, the foremost among kings, whose great valour was widely known, who destroyed the crowd of (his) enemies in soldierlike fights, (and) who was distinguished by the true science of policy. Even now, the hot-rayed sun is moving on the sky as though it were a fragment of the brilliant lustre of his great, far-famed and terrible power.
- (V. 5.) To this favourite of the earth (Mahivallabha) was born a mountain of virtues (and) resort of the fortunes of heroes, king Mâdhava, whose great and spotless fame was celebrated in the world. Having fallen asleep in a great battle on the two temples of a female elephant, this foremost among warriors awoke on the two breasts of a distinguished nymph of heaven.²
- (V. 6.) His son was king Ganapati, the ornament of the three worlds (and) resting-place of wisdom, who was an adherent of Non-duality (Advaitavâdin) with respect to valour; 3 who was fierce in (his) commands, which (he) caused to dance on the crowns of proud crest-jewels among princes; who had obtained great prosperity through the favour of (Siva) the lord of Pârvatî; (and) who supported all men with the wealth of the (whole) world, (which he had) conquered.
- (V. 7.) The foremost among kings (is) that ornament of princes, the glorious Ganapa, to whose fame all the regions are attendants; the oceans,—tanks for sporting; (Mount) Môra,—a pleasure hill; (Indra's garden) Nandana,—a splendid park; yonder disc of the moon,—a looking-glass; and the interval between heaven and earth,—a palace.
- (V. 8.) To this profound king, who resembled the milk-ocean, was born Ganapamba, like another Lakshmi incarnate.

¹ The author appears to have formed the word paripara on the basis of pariparin, 'an enemy,' which is referred to by Pâṇini, v. 2, 89.

i.e. he was killed in battle.

² i.e. he was exclusively devoted to fighting, just as the Védântin denies the existence of anything beside the Brahman.

⁴ Ganapamba's counterpart, the goddess Lakshmi, is believed to have risen from the milk-ocean,

- (V. 9.) Do all pure (and) excellent virtues,— (viz.) praiseworthy wisdom which springs from a wealth of intelligence, loftiness of grace, delight in the worship of good men, perfect modesty, and fervent devotion to Sambhu (Siva),— highly prosper (because they are) innate in the person of this Gaṇapâmbikâ, or (because they have) met (in it) by mutual appointment?
- (V. 10.) There was a king, called Kêtarâja, the lord of Śrî-Dhânyânkapura, the lord of a whole province (mandala), (and) the ornament of kings.
- (V. 11.) Lord of the district (vishaya) of Konnâtavâḍi (was) the glorious Kêtarâja, who destroyed the crowd of (his) enemies, (and) whose righteousness, which was famed in the three worlds, is even now praised by all in troops.
- (V. 12.) On the southern bank of the Verna, this incarnation of charity conferred on Brahmanas seventy great (and) excellent agraharas.
- (V. 13.) His son was a king, called Rudraraja, the goddess of whose fame, though pure, was,— O wonder!— fondled by the regents of the points of the horizon.
- (V. 14.) Extremely victorious is king Bêta, who arose from king Budra, as the sun from the eastern mountain. He dispelled all the enemies by (his) splendour, (as the sun does) all the darkness; placed his feet on the brilliant heads of great kings, (as the sun) places its rays on the brilliant tops of high mountains; possessed great wealth that satisfied the desires (of supplicants), (as the sun) possesses straight rays that fill (all) the regions; (and) was highly praised by crowds of learned men, (as the sun) is highly praised by hosts of gods.
- (V. 15.) Having duly provided a splendid marriage festival, king Gaṇapa affectionately bestowed on Bêta, the ornament of princes, that glorious Gaṇapâmbikâ, who was an embodiment of purity, (and) who equalled both Gauri and Lakshmî by (her) great and celebrated virtues, just as the mountain-daughter (Pârvatî) (was bestowed) on Îśa (Śiva), (and) Lakshmi on (Vishņu) the lord of Lakshmi.
- (Vv. 16 and 17.) After the excellent king Bêta, having ruled with her the great kingdom and having acquired everlasting merit, had departed to the court of (Indra) the king of gods, she duly placed golden pinnacles on the holy shrine (vimâna) of the brilliant lord Amarêśvara at Śri-Dhânyâńkapura; and, having built in this city a temple of the lord (Śiva), (called) by the name of king Bêta, (she) procured for (her) husband the festival of an everlasting and joyful residence in the world of Śiva.
- (Vv. 18 and 19.) In order to procure for (her) husband, king Bêta, a blessing of this kind,— having built a temple of Śambhu, which was adorned with a surrounding wall (prākāra), she set up in this lovely temple, which was resplendent with golden pinnacles, a Mahâdêva (i.e. linga), (called) Bêtêśvara.
- (V. 20.) For the requirements of this (temple), she granted an excellent village, called Benadevi, which was rich in all (kinds of) grain.
- (V. 21.) The great queen Ganapamba, who was an incarnation of the great Lakshmi, performed still further pious works in the lovely (city of) Sri-Dhanyankapura:—
- (V. 22.) Having provided twelve houses 4 and rich stipends (vritti), she supported (by them) twelve Brâhmanas, who resembled the (twelve) Âdityas.
- (V. 23.) She also built a temple, called Ganapesvara after the name of (ker) father, king Ganapa.

The pronoun "this" appears to refer to Yenamadala, the place of the inscription.

* According to the abridged translation of the Telugu portion in the Kistas Manuel, p. 14, the hamlet formed by these twelve houses received the name Ganapavarapadu.

[ा] वेबुधै: सार्थै: is the same as विबुधानां सार्थै:.

³ Rangdngabhoga is the same as angarangabhoga, angarangavaibhoga and angarangavaibhoua; ese ante, p. 95, line 2 from bottom, and South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. No. 55, south face, line 4 a, and p. 70, note 5.

(V. 24.) To this (temple of) Sambhu, (called) Ganapêsa, the great queen granted for (its) requirements the village named Chintapâdu.

(V. 25.) She whose hands are exclusively engaged in worshipping Hara (Siva), whose eyes and ears are always attached to the festivals and excellent concerts which (she) causes to be performed daily (in honour) of Sambhu, who thus joyfully passes (her) days though standing (at the head) of a great kingdom, (and who is), therefore, verily (identical with) the mountain-daughter,— who is able to praise that Gaṇapâmbikâ (appropriately)?

No. 17.- PAITHAN PLATES OF GOVINDA III.

SAKA-SAMVAT 716.

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This record is now brought to notice for the first time. I edit it from excellent ink-impressions, made by Dr. Fleet from the original plates, which belong to Tirkam Râi Tâtyâ Kâsâr Śêṭ, a resident of the well-known Paiṭhân,— the ancient Pratishṭhâna,— on the Gôdâvarî, in the Nizâm's Dominions, lat. 19° 29' N., long. 75° 28' E.

The plates are three in number, each measuring from $13\frac{1}{2}"$ to $13\frac{3}{4}"$ long, by from 8" to $8\frac{1}{2}"$ broad at the ends, and somewhat less in the middle. The edges of them were fashioned thicker, so as to serve as rims to protect the writing; and the inscription is mostly in a state of excellent preservation. But the surface of the second side of plate ii. was not made properly smooth for engraving, as the other surfaces were. The result is a good deal of confusion, caused by numerous markings in the copper itself. And the difficulty of dealing with this part of the inscription is enhanced by the fact that, in the lower lines of this plate and in the first line of plate iii., the record has been seriously tampered with, for the purpose of reducing the number of grantees from seven to four. The ring on which the plates are strung is circular, about $\frac{1}{15}$ " thick and $3\frac{1}{5}$ " in diameter. It had not been cut when the grant came into Dr. Fleet's hands. The seal (see the Plate at page 104), into the socket of which the ring is soldered, is roughly circular, about 13" in diameter. In relief on a countersunk surface, it has a representation of Garuda, squatting, and facing full-front; his hands are joined, palm to palm, on the chest, and are turned upwards; his feet are joined sole to sole, and are turned downwards; and the marks at each side denote his wings. The seal is practically identical with the seals of the Sâmângad grant of Dantidurga (Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 112, Plate), and of the Old-Kanarese grant of Govinda III. (ibid. p. 126, Plate). But it is a much better specimen, and shows the details far more clearly. Below the Garuda there is a floral device, - apparently an expanded water-lily; he is probably supposed to be seated on it. -The weight of the three plates is $357\frac{1}{2}$ tolas, and of the ring and seal, $55\frac{1}{2}$; total, 413 tolas.— The engraving is good, bold, and fairly deep; but, the plates being substantial, the letters do not show through on the reverse sides. The interiors of them show, as usual, marks of the working of the engraver's tool .-- The characters are Nagari. Here and there they are drawn rather carelessly, so that, especially in the case of proper names, it is not always possible to say what exactly may be intended. In general, the forms of the letters are the ordinary ones of the period to which the inscription belongs; but the sign for the conjunct ry, which occurs in the word $k\hat{a}ry\hat{a}$ in line 64, is quite unusual, and is apparently a remnant of an earlier form of the Någari alphabet.1 The average size of the letters is a little less than

¹ See Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 202

1".- The language is Sanskrit. Down to the middle of line 42 the inscription is in verse, and five benedictive and imprecatory verses occur in lines 68-73; the rest is in prose. The number of verses at the beginning is 28. Of these, verses 1-19 occur in the same order, but with some various readings and partly damaged, in the Kâvî grant of Gòvinda IV. (Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 145), which also contains verse 26, beginning with rakshatû yêna in line 39 of the present inscription, and verse 28, beginning with tên=êdam in line 41. Of the remaining seven verses, verses 23-25, beginning with tasy=apy=abhûd in line 35, are found, in a less correct form, in the Kâpadvaṇaj grant of Krishṇa II. (Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 54). Accordingly, the verses which are peculiar to this inscription are only four, viz. verses 20-22, beginning with śrî-Kâñchîpati in line 30, and verse 27, beginning with a [yam=a]rat in line 40. As regards lexicography and grammar, attention may be drawn to the word pratirajija, which in line 31 is used as a masculine noun, evidently in the sense of pratiraja, 'a hostile king,' and to the redundant suffix kal in åchchhidyamånaka in line 67, as well as in the ordinary yathåsamva(ba)dhyamånaka in line 44.— The orthography calls for few remarks. The letter b is throughout denoted by the sign for v; the dental sibilant is occasionally employed instead of the palatal, e.g. in asesha, line 34, and satêshu, line 60; and the vowel ri is used instead of the syllable ri in kanakadrir, line 9, kṛiyā, line 62, and śṛiyam, line 72.2 Besides, we may notice the employment of the guttural nasal instead of anusvára in the word sixha in line 3, the use of the aragraha to denote the elision of a in line 30, and the spelling of the words upalachchhita for upalakshita in line 57, pratipālaitavya for pratipálayitavya in line 66, and âdnayá (?) for djñayá in line 73.

The inscription is one of the Råshtrakûţa Gôvindarâja III. or, as he is described in lines 42-44, the Paramabhaṭṭāraka Mahārājādhirāja Paramēśvara Pṛithvìvallabha Prabhûtavarsha Śrīvallabha-narêndradêva, who meditated on the feet of the Paramabhaṭṭāraka Mahārājādhirāja Paramēśvara, the illustrious Dhārāvarshadêva, i.e. his father Dhruvarāja Nirupama. In the introductory metrical portion the genealogy of Gôvindarāja III. is given, beginning with Gôvindarāja I., exactly as in other inscriptions of the same dynasty (Gôvindarāja I.; his son Karkarāja; his son Indrarāja II.; his son Dantidurga Vallabharāja; Karkarāja's son Kṛishṇarāja Śubhatuṅga Akālavarsha; his son Gôvindarāja II. Vallabha; his younger brother Dhruvarāja Nirupama; and his son Gôvindarāja III.); and what is new in this inscription are only the verses in lines 30-34, which relate to the circumstances under which Gôvindarāja II. was succeeded by his brother. After having stated in line 29 that Gôvindarāja's younger brother was Dhruvarāja, our inscription goes on somewhat like this:—

Some other inscriptions only state in general terms that Gôvindarâja II. was superseded by his younger brother Dhruvarâja, while the Dêôli grant of Krishnarâja III. records that "sensual pleasures made Gôvindarâja careless of the kingdom, and that, entrusting fully the universal sovereignty to his younger brother, Nirupama, he allowed his position as sovereign to become loose." From the present inscription it would rather appear that Dhruvarâja

¹ See Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 69.

² In the proper name Riski in line 48, assuming the reading to be correct, ri is used instead of ri.

^{*} See Journal, Bombay Branch, R. A. S., Vol. XVIII. p. 239.

1. Patthan Plotes of Govinda III. (Rashtrakuta).





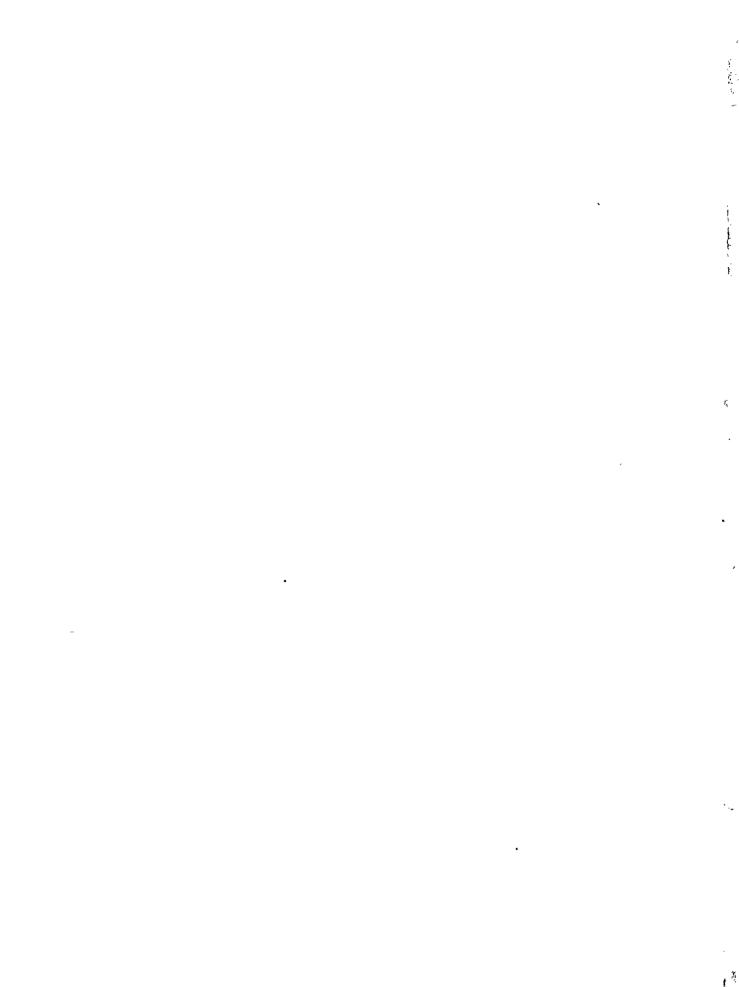
2. Pithapurar. Plates of Vira-Choda (Eastern Chalukya).



3. Madras Museum Plates of Uttama-Chola.



4. Udayendiram Plates of Hastimalla.



revolted against and defeated his brother, even though the latter, to protect himself, had formed an alliance with kings who otherwise were hostile to the Råshtrakûta family.

The formal part of this inscription, also, does not differ materially from the corresponding portions of other Rashtrakuta grants. It records (in lines 42-62) that the king, being encamped near Pratishthana, and having bathed in the river Godavari, on the occasion of a solar eclipse on the new-moon tithi of the dark half of Vaisakha in seven centuries of years, increased by sixteen, elapsed since the time of the Saka king (i.e. in the Saka vear 716), granted the village of Limbârâmikâ, situated in the [Sârâ]kachchha village group of Twelve in the Pratishthana bhukti, to a number of Brahmanas, for keeping up the five great sacrifices and other purposes. The boundaries of this village were, to the east the village Samatîrthaka, to the south the river Gôdâvarî, to the west a locality named Brahmapurî, and to the north the arable land (?) of the village of Dhôna (?). The names and a description of the grantees are given in lines 47-54. There can be no doubt that their number originally was seven, but, as stated before, the inscription has here been seriously tampered with, for the purpose of reducing this number to four, and, perhaps, in order to substitute, at least in one case, another name for the one which was originally engraved. Of each of the grantees the inscription gave not only the father's name and the gôtra and Vedic school to which he belonged, but also the place of residence. But, with the exception of Pratishthâna which occurs in line 48, the names of these places are either altogether illegible, or so indistinct that they cannot be read with confidence. The gôtras mentioned are those of Vatsa, Pârâśara, Vasishtha, Saitêha (?), Hârîta (?), and Kâsyapa; the Vêdic schools those of the Vâjins or Vâjasanêyins, Bahyrichas, Taittiriyas, and Mådhyamdinas.— Lines 63-72 contain the usual admonition to protect the donees in the enjoyment of this grant, and quote five of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses; and the concluding line 73 gives the names of the dataka and of the writer of the grant, both of which are so carelessly written that I am unable to say what they are.

The date of the inscription—the new-moon tithi of the dark half of Vaisakha of Śaka-Samvat 716—corresponds, for Śaka-Samvat 716 expired and the amanta Vaisakha, to the 4th May, A.D. 794, when there was a total eclipse of the sun which was visible in India, at 3 h. 48 m. after mean sunrise. It is, so far as I know, the earliest date from a genuine inscription of India proper which shows the amanta scheme of the lunar fortnights; and it is ten years earlier than the oldest date³ which has been hitherto available for the reign of Gôvindarâja III.

With the exception of Pratishthana itself, I am unable to identify any of the places mentioned in this inscription.

TEXT.4

First Plate.

- 1 Ôm⁵ [||*] Sa⁶ vô=vyâd=Vêdhasâ dhâma yan-nâbhi-kamalam kritam | Haraś=cha yasya kânt-êndu-kalayâ kam=alamkritam || ⁷Âsîd=ni[sha?]-
- 2 t-timiram=udyata-maṇḍalâgrô dhvastin=nayann=a[bh]imukhô raṇa-śarvvarîpu(shu) | bhûpaḥ śuchir=vvidhur=iv=âsta(pta)-diga-

¹ On Dhruvarâja see Dr. Fleet's Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts, p. 33, and Dr. Bhaudarkar's Early History of the Dekkan, p. 49.

² The word of the original (in line 56) which I have doubtfully translated by 'arable land,' is hala. The ordinary meaning of this word is 'plough,' and it is also used as a measure of land; but neither of these two meanings would be suitable here.

³ viz. the date of the Old-Kanarese grant of Saka-Samvat 726, which works out properly only with the paraimdata scheme of the lunar month; Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 126, and Vol. XVII. p. 141.

From impressions prepared by Dr. Fleet.
Expressed by a symbol.

Metre: Siôka (Anushtubh).
 Metre: Vasautatilakâ; and of the next verse. Read = dvisha-..

- 3 nta-kîrttir=Ggôvindarâja iti râjasu râja-si[nha]hl || Drishtvâ chamûm=abhimukhîm subhat-âttahâsâm=unna-
- 4 mitam sapadi ye[na] ranêshu nityam | dasht-adharêna dadhata bhrukutim lalatê khadgam kulam cha hridavañ=cha
- 5 nijam cha satvam³ Il Ga(kha)dgam⁴ kar-âgrân=mukhata[sya(ś=cha)] śôbhâ mânô manastah samam=êva yasya [[*] mabhâbhavê⁵ nâma
- 6 nišamya sadyas=trayam ripunâm vigalaty=akândê || 6Tasy=âtmajô jagati viśruta-dîrgehakîrttir=ârtt-a-
- 7 rtti-hâri-Hari-vikrama-dhâma-dhârî | bhûpas=trivishtapa-nrip-ânukritih kritajñah Karkkaraja iti gôtra-ma-
- 8 nir=vva(bba)bhûva |(||) Tasya prabhinna-ka[ra]ta-chyuta-dana-danti-danta-prahararuchir-ôllikhit-âmsanîthah ! kshmanah kshi-
- 9 tau kshapita-satrur-abhût-tanûjah sad-Râshtrakûta-kanakâdri(dri)r-iv-Êndrarâjah || 7Tasv=ôpâriita-
- 10 mahasas=tanavas=chaturudadhi-valaya-malinyah | bhokta bhuvah Satakratu-sadrisah srt.
- 11 Dantidurggarâjô=bhût |(||) 8Kâmchîśa-Kêralanarâdhi[pa]-Chôla-Pâmdya-śrî-Harsha-Vairata-vibhêda-vidhâ-
- 12 na-daksham i Karnnatakam va(ba)lam=anantam9=ajeyam=anvair=bhritvaih kivadbhir= api yah sahasa jigaya || [Sa]bhr[0]-10
- 13 vibhamgam=agrihîta-nişâta-şastramm=laşrantam=apratihat-ajñam=apêta-yatnam | vô Vallabham sapadi da-
- 14 nda-va(ba)lena¹⁸ jitvā rājādhirājaparamēšvaratām=avāpa || Â¹³ sētôr=vvipul-6pal-āvalilasal-lô-
- 15 l-ôrmmi-mâlâ-jalâd=â prâlêya-kalamkit-âmala-śilâ-jâlât=tuyâ(shâ)râchalât | âpars-14
- 16 varirasi-pulina-pranta-prasiddh-ayadher=yyen=eyam jagati sva-vikrama-va(ba)len=aikatapatrâ¹⁵ kritâ |(||)
- 17 16Tasmin=ditanram 17 praváté Vallabharajó kshata-prajá-vá(bá)dhah [1*] śrî-Karkkarajasûnur=mmahîpatih Krifshna]-18

Second Plate : First Side.

- 18 râjô=bhût¹⁹ || Yasya syabhuja-parâkrama-nihśēth(sh)-ôtsâdit-âri-dikchakram | Krishnasy= êv=akrishna[m] charitam srt-Kripna(shna)-
- 19 râjasya || Śubhatumga-tumga-turaga-prayriddha-rên-ûrdhya-ruddha-ravi-kiraṇam [[*] grîshmê=pi nabhô nikhilam pravritka-
- 20 låyatê spashtam || Dîn-ânâtha-pranayishu yathêshta-chê[shta]m ma(sa)mîhitam=ajasram | ta[tksha?]nam=Akâlava-
 - 2 Originally orent was engraved, but the sign of the vowel I has been struck out. 1 Read -simhah. 5 Read maháharé.
 - 3 Read sattvam. 4 Metre: Upajâti.
 - 6 Metre: Vasantatilaka: and of the next verse.
- 7 Metre : Gîti.
- 8 Metre: Vasantatilaka; and of the next verse.
- 9 Originally onantyam was engraved, but the sign for y has been struck out.
- 10 The first akshara (sa) looks rather like a in the original. 11 Read ostram=.
- ¹³ The Sâmângad plates (Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 112) read damda-lakêna; and this reading, the sense of which is not apparent, Professor Bühler has adopted for the Kâvi plates (ib. Vol. V. p. 146).
 - B Metre: Sårdûlavikridita.
 - 14 After this, va is engraved at the end of the line, but it looks as if it had been struck out again.
 - 16 Metre: Arya; and of the three next verses. 15 Read opatri-krita. 17 Read divam.
- 16 The aksharas actually engraved at the end of this line are krishakha; and below them three other signs are engraved, the first of which looks like the figure 1, and the second and third of which are do (or de) and kelo. De Above the akshara bld, the sign of the vowel & is engraved.

२ स्वा कुर क्या क्या प्रमान क्षेत्र क

iii.

्राह्म विश्व क्षेत्र क्षेत्र

- 21 rshô varshati sarvv-ārtti-nirvvapaṇam || ¹Râhappam=âtma-chu(bhu)ja-jâta-va(ba)l-âcha(va)lēpam=âjau vijitya nithi(śi)t-â-
- 22 silatâ-prahâraiḥ | pâli[dhva]j-âvali-[śu]bhâm=achir[ê*]ṇa yô hi râjâdhirâjaparamêśvaratâm tatâ-
- 23 na || ²Krôdhâd=utkhâta-kha[dga]-prasrita-ruchi-chayair=bhâsamânam samantâd=âjâv= udvritta-vairi-prakata-gaja-ghat-â[tô]-
- 24 pa-samkshô(kshê)pa-daksham | śauryya-tyakd(kt)-âri-varggô bhaya-cha[ki]ta-vapuḥ kkâ(kvâ)pi driptv(shtv)=aiva sadyô darpp-âdhmât-âri-chakra-ksha-
- 25 ya-karam=agamad=yasya dôrddanda-rûpam |(||) Pâtâ³ yaś=chatur-amvu(mbu)râśi-rasa(śa)n-âlamkâra-bhâjô bhuvas=trayyâś=ch=â-
- 26 pi kṛita-ḍvi(dvi)j-âmara-guru-prâjy-âjya-pûj-âdaraḥ | dâtâ mânabhṛid=agraṇîr=guṇa-vatâm yô=sau śriyô valla-
- 27 bhô bhôktum svargga-phalâni bhûri-tapasâ sthânam jagâm=âmaram || Yêna' śvêtâtapatra-prahata-ravi-kara-prâ(vrâ)ta-tâpâ-
- 28 t=salîlam jagmê nâsîra-dhûlî-dhavalita-sirasâ Vallabh-âkhyah sad=âjau [|*] sa śrî-Gôvindarâjô iita-jagad-ahita-strai-
- 29 na-vaidhavya-h[ê]tus=tasy=âsît=sûnur=êkakshana-rana-dalit-ârâti-matt-êbha-kumbhah []

 5Tasy=ânujah śrî-Dhruvarâja-nâmâ ma-
- 30 hânubhâvô=stpra(pra)hata-pratâpaḥ | prasâdhit-âsépa(sha)-narêndra-chakraḥ kramêṇa vâ(bâ)lârkka-vapur=vva(bba)bhûva || 6Śrî-Kāñchipa-
- 31 ti-Gamga-Vêmgika-yutâ yê Mâlavêś-âḍa(da)yaḥ prâjy[â]n=ânayati sma tân=kshitibhritô sa(ya)ḥ prâtirâjyân⁷=api | mâniky-â-
- 32 bharanachi(ni) hèsa(ma)-nichayam yasya p[r]apady=ôpari svam [yê?]na prati tam tath=âpi na kṛitam chètô=nyathâ bhrataram || Sâm-âdyè(dyai)-
- 33 r=api Vallabhô na [hi?]⁸ yadâ sa[m*]dhim vyadhât=tam tadâ ⁹[bhrâ?]tur=dda[tta]¹⁰raṇê vijitya ta[ra]sâ paśchât=tatô bhûya[ta?]h¹¹ | prâchy-ôdîchya-[pa]-
- 34 rachyapâsya¹² cha lasat-pâlidhvajair=[bhû?]shitam chihnair=yyah paramêśvaratvam=akhilam lêbhô(bhê) mahanô¹³ vibhuh || 14Jit-âsê(sê)sha-
- 35 pa(ma)hîpâlah Pu[ra]mda[ra]¹⁵-jigî[sha]yâ[|*] sa śrî-Nirupamô râjâ hi[tv]â martyam divam gatah [||*] ¹⁶Tasy=âpy=abhûd=bhuvana-bhâ[ra]-

Second Plate: Second Side.

- 36 bhṛitau samarthaḥ Pâr[th]-ôpamaḥ Pṛi[th]u-sa[mâ]na-guṇô guṇajñaḥ [i*] durvvâra-vairi-tarit-17âtula-tâpa-hêtur= [Ggôv]indar[â]ja [i]ti
- 37 sûnur=ina-pratâpaḥ || Yas(ś)=cha prabhuś=chatura-[ch]âru[r=u]dâra-kîrbhe(rttê)r=â[sê]-divân=Nirupamasya pituḥ sakâsât | satsv=apy=a-

¹ Metre: Yasantatilaka. The third akshara of the first word is distinctly ppa. 2 Metre: Sragdhara.

Metre: Sårdûlavikrîdita. 4 Metre: Sragdharâ. 5 Metre: Upajâti.

⁶ Metre: Sârdûlavikrîdita; and of the next verse.— This verse and the next two verses are not found in any of the published inscriptions of the same dynasty.

⁷ This word is apparently used here in the sense of pratiraja, 'a hostile king.'

⁸ The consonant of this akshera might possibly be read s, but the sign differs much from the sign for s employed ordinarily in this inscription.

⁹ The sign of the akshara in these brackets, again, is quite peculiar, and might possibly be read chd.

¹⁰ This akshara looks rather like ata in the original. 11 Read bhuyasah (?).

n Read -parán=vyapásya (?). 13 Read mahindró (?). 14 Metre : Slóka (Anushtubb).

¹⁵ The akskaras in brackets look rather like vs in the original.

Metre: Vasantatilakå; and of the next verse.— This verse and the next two verses occur only in the Kapadvanaj grant of Krishna II.; Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 54.

The text here given is more correct.

Read -remit-.

- 38 chê(nê)ka-tanayêshu guṇ-âtirêkân=mû[rddhâ]bhipi(shi)kta-nṛipa-sammatam=âśu râjyaṁ || ¹Śaśadhara-kara-nikara-nibhaṁ yabhya(sya) yasah
- 39 suranag-âgra-sânu-sthaiḥ [!*] parigîyatê=nuraktaiḥ⁹ vidyâdhara-sundarî-nivahaiḥ || Rakshatâ³ yêna niḥśêshaṁ chatur-achya(mbu)-
- 40 dhi-sa myutam | râjyam dharmmêna lôkânâm kritâ tushtih parâ hridi |(||) A[yam=4 â]rât=p[r]iyô lôkâ[n=yân=adrâ]ksh[î]t samâ[śri]ta[h] [|*]
- 41 na tê yâ[chita?]vantô=nyam bhûbhritam dhana-trishnayâ |(||) 5Tên=[ê*]dag(m)= anila-vidyuch-cha[m]chalam=a[va]lôkya jâ(jî)vitam=asâram | [kshi*]-
- 42 ti-nâ(dâ)na-parama-puṇyaḥ pravarttitô vra(bra)hma-dâyô=yaṁ || Sa cha paramabhaṭṭâ-raka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-śr[î*]-
- 43 mad-Dhârâva[tsa(rsha)]dêva-pâdânudhyâta-paramabhaṭṭâ r a k a m a h â r â j â d h i r â j a paramêśvara-Pṛithvîvallabha-Prabhûtavarsha-Śrî-
- 44 vallabha-narêndradêvah kuśalî sarvvân-êva yathâsamva(ba)dhyamânakân-râshṭrapati-vishayapati-grâmakût-â-
- 45 yukta-niyuktak-âdhikârika-mahattar-âdîn=samanudarsayaty=astu vaḥ samviditam yathâ srîmat-Prati-
- 46 shṭhâna-[va]hiḥ-samâvâsita-jayasu[r]âdâr-6âvasthitêna mayâ mâtâpitrôr-âtmanaś=ch=aihik-âmushmika-
- 47 pu[nyâ?]ya⁷ [A]vila[vâ?] [rêśa]-vâstavya-Vatsa-sagôtra-Vâji-savra(bra)hmachâri-[Bha?]pâditya-⁸pûta-⁹Pitâmaha ¹⁰
- 48 ¹¹[bhadra]-vâstavya-[Va]tsa-sagôtra-Vâjisa[nêya?]-savra(bra)hmachâri-Rishi-¹² putra-Bhṛiṭikrama¹³ | tathâ śrî-**Pratishṭhâna-**[vâ]sta-
- 49 vya-tat[tr*]aividya-sâmânya-Pârâśara-sagôtra-[va(ba)]h[v*]richa-bha(sa)vra(bra)h m a [châ]ri-Jêjjaṭa-putra-[Râ]jaṭa tithâ¹⁴ [Ja]kali-¹⁵vâṣṭa-
- 50 [[vya-[tachchâturvidya]-sâmânya-Vasishtha-sagôtra-va(ba)hvricha-savra(bra)hm a c h â r i [Châ?]yata-putra-[Vâ]....| tathâ vâ]]-

¹ Metre: Âryâ. ² Read °ktair=. ⁸ Metre: Ślôka (Anushṭubh); and of the next verse.

⁴ There are so many different marks on the plate here, and some of the letters are so indistinctly formed, that I am not at all sure about the exact wording of the first half of this verse. Apparently the sense of the whole verse is, that Gôvindarâja treated the needy so liberally that they had no reason to apply to other princes for support. In the text given above, I have included in square brackets every letter the reading of which appears to me doubtful. Instead of samáśritah, supposing this to be the correct reading, I should have expected samáśritân.

Metre: Âryâ.
Read -jayaskandhârâr..

⁷ Here one would have expected -punya-yaśó-bhivriddhayë, which may have been engraved originally.—
The following passage, up to the word vrāhmaņēbhyaḥ in line 54, has been greatly tampered with, for the purpose of reducing the number of grantees, which originally was seven, to four. To effect this, the original writing of lines 50, 52 and 53, and of portions of lines 51 and 54, has been beaten in; but sufficient traces remain of it, to make out the general sense of what has been effaced. Besides, to judge by the forms of the letters, the names of the grantee and of his place of residence, which occur in line 47, seem to have been eugraved in the place of other names; and in line 54 the word chaturbhyaḥ has been added at the beginning (where the original writing is effaced) to do duty for the word saptabhyaḥ, which originally preceded the word vrāhmanēbhyaḥ. That portion of the text which it has been sought to efface, I have included in double square brackets, but I have not been able to restore it completely.

⁸ Read -Jayaditya- (?). 9 Read -putra-.

¹⁰ The two aksharas at the end of this line I am unable to make out with certainty; they look like yava or hava, or may be intended for dêva.

ii Here, again, I must omit three aksharas, the first and second of which look like pya (or shya) and vya (or chya). Apparently the word tatha is wanted here.

¹² Read *châry-Rishi-. 18 This name is quite clear in the engraving, but it can hardly be correct.

¹⁴ Rend ta | tathâ.

¹⁵ Possibly, what is engraved may be Takelie; and perhaps the word has been engraved in the place of another name

- 51 [[sta]]vya-Saitéha(?)-[sa]gôtra-va(ba)hvricha-savra(bra)hmach[â*]ri-[Râ]ulla-putra-Vâmadêva | [[tathâ ... vâstavya-tattraividya]]-
- 52 [[sâmânya-[Hârîta]-sagôtra-[Taittirîya]-savra(bra)hmachâri- -putrakumāra | tathā [Ka]]-
- 53 [[¹chchauraja-vâstavya-Kâsyapa-sagôtra-Mâdhyandina-savra(bra)]]-

Third Plate.

- vrâ(brâ)hmanêbhyah 54 [[hmachâri ?]]2 êtêbhyô3 chaturbbya śri-Pratishthâna-bhukty-antarggata-[Sârâ?]-
- 55 kachehha-dvâdaśa-grâm-âbhyantarê Limvâ(mbâ)râmikâ-grâmô yasy=âghâtanâni pûrvvatah Samatîrthaka-grâ-
- 56 [ma]h4 dakshinatah Gôdâvarî nadî [a]paratah Vra(bra)hma[p]urî uttaratah [Dhôna]5-grâma-ha[la]m6 | êvam=êtach-chatur-âghâta-
- 57 n-ôpalachchhi(kshi)tô grâmah sôdramgah saparikarah⁷ sadasâparâdhah sabh**ûtapâta**pratyavah sotpadyama-
- nari(vi)shtikah sadhanyahiranyadeyo=chcha(cha)tabhataprayesyah⁸ sarvyarajakiyanam= 58 ahastapraksh[ê*]panîya
- **5**9 â-chandr-ârkk-ârnnava-kshiti-sarit-parvvata-samakîlânah putra-pautr-ânvaya-kram-ôpabhôgyah pûrvva-pratta-dê[va]-
- 60 vra(bra)hma-dâya-rahitô=bhyantarasiddhyâ [bh]ûmichchhidra-nyâyêna Śakanripa-kâlâtîta-samvatsara-sa(śa)têshu saptamu(su) jê(shô)-
- 61 das-ôttarêshu Vaiśakha-va(ba)hul-âmâvâsyâm=âdityagrahaṇa-parvvaṇi va(ba)licharu-vaisya(śva)dev-agniha(hô)tr-ati-
- Gôdâţapyâm¹³ 62 [thi]-pada-10mahayajñ-âdi-kriy-ôssarppan-a[tha]11 snâtv=â[d]y=**ôdak**âsi(ti)sarggêņa pratipâditô13 ya-
- [vra(bra)]hmad[â*]ya-sthityâ [bh]umjatô bhôjayatah 63 $\hat{t}_{sy}^{14}=\hat{o}_{ch}^{14}$ karshayatah pratidiśatâ(tô) vå na kaiśchi-
- 64 d=anp(lp)=âpi paripami[tha]na kâryâ tath=agami-bhadra-nripatibhir=asmad-vamsyair= vvånanyair=15vvå såmånyam bhûpi(mi)-
- [dâ]na-phalam=av[e*]tya vidyul-lôlâny=anity-aiśva[r*]yâṇi tṛiṇ-âgra-lagna-jalavinduchamchalam cha jîvitam=âkalayya
- sva-dâya-nirvviśêshô=yam=asmad-dâyâ(yô)=numantavyaḥ pratipâlai(layi)tavyaś=cha [|*] yaś=ch=ajñâna-timira-pa[ta]l-a-
- vrita-matír=âchchhindyåd=âchchh[i*]dyamânakam v=ânu[mô]dataḥ¹6 sa painchabhir= mmâhâpâtakôh¹⁷ sôpapâtakaiś=cha¹⁸ samynkta[h]

¹ This line begins in the original under the akshara rf of the word Taittirfya (?) of the preceding line.

² After this, and before the word &t&bhyô, about 10 or 12 aksharas are almost entirely effaced, and in their place the word chaturbhya has been engraved in very large letters.

³ This was originally étébhyah, followed, I believe, by saptabhyo, which has been effaced.

⁴ Here, and in the following, the rules of saindhi have not been observed.

⁵ It is impossible to say whether the consonants of the name in these brackets are really intended to be dh and n; the first of them might possibly be dh or v or ch, and the second n or t.

⁶ This akshara resembles nam more than lam in the original. The following sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁷ One would have expected soparikarah.

⁸ Originally oprávěšyah was engraved.

⁹ Read 'kalinah.

¹⁰ Read -pañcha-.

n Read -kriy-ôtsarppan-arthain.

¹² Read Gódávaryám.

¹⁹ Read "paditah 1.

¹⁴ One would have expected here selden, and similarly the plural afterwards.

¹⁵ Read v=dayair=. 16 Read odeta. 17 Read =mmahapatakaih.

¹⁸ This cha'is superfluous.

syâd=ity¹=uktam [cha*] bhagana(va)tâ [vê]da-vyâs[ê*]na Vyâsêna || Shapti(shṭi)m² varsha-sa[ha]srâṇi svarggê tishṭhati bhûmidaḥ [!*] âchchhêttâ
 ndhâ(ch-â)numamt[â*] cha tâny=êva narakê vasata³ || Vindhy-âṭavîpv(shv)=atôyâsu

śushka-kôtara-vâsinaḥ [l*] kṛi[sh]nâhayô hi jâyantê bhûmi-

0 *haramti yê [||] Va(ba)hubhir=vva[su]dhâ nujâ* râjabhiḥ Sagar-âdibhiḥ [|*] yasya yadâ [bhûṭi]yadya* ta[sya] ta[dâ]

71 S[v]a-dattâm para-datsa(ttâ)m [vâ] yatnâd=raksha narâhiyaḥ⁷! mah**î**m [yâ]hîmatâm⁸ śrêshṭha dâvâ(nâ)ch=chhr[ê*]yô=[n]upâla[na]m || Iva⁹ samala-

72 ¹⁰du-lôlâm śṛi(śri)yam=ata(nu)chi[m]tya [ma]nupya(shya)-jîvitañ=cha | ja(a)tivimala-manôbhir=âtmanîni(nai)r=vva(nna) hi [gasa]shêḥl¹ pasa-[kî]-

73 ¹⁹[lôpy]âḥ [||] Sa(pa)ra[mê]śvara-[pra]hita-śî[tpṛishi]karâ-¹³[dû]takam likhitam cha paramê[śva]r-âdna(jña)yâ śrî-K[ṛindhê?]yêyêtl⁴ ||

No. 18.- BAHAL INSCRIPTION OF THE YADAVA KING SINGHANA.

SAKA-SAMVAT 1144.

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This inscription, which I edit from impressions supplied to me by Dr. Fieet, is at the temple of Sârajâdêvî 16 at the village of Bahâl, in the Châlîsgaon subdivision of the Khandês district of the Bombay Presidency (Indian Atlas, sheet 38, long. 75° 9' E., lat. 20° 36'N.). It contains nineteen lines of writing, which cover a space of about 2' 10" broad by 1' $3\frac{1}{2}$ " high, and is almost throughout in a perfect state of preservation. The average size of the letters is slightly less than $\frac{1}{2}$ ". The characters are Nâgarî. The language is Sanskrit; and, excepting the introductory δm || δm namb Dvårajå-dėvyai and the words atha råja-vamśah in line 7, lines I-18 are in verse. The verses are numbered, and their total number is twenty. In respect of orthography I have only to state that the letter b is exceptionally denoted by the sign for v in the words vivudha, in line 3, and vrahma, in line 7.

¹ Read iti | Uktain.

⁴ This line commences under the third akshara of the preceding line; and in the vacant space at the beginning of the line one would have expected danam or dayam.

Read bhukta.

^{*} Read blamis=tasya. At the commencement of the next line there is again a vacant space, where one would have expected phalam #.

⁷ Read narddhipa. 8 Read mahtbhritam.

Metre: Pushpitagra. Read iti kamala.

At the beginning of this line is again a vacant space, sufficient for the missing aksharas -dal-dmbs-vim-.

¹¹ Read purushaih para-ki-.

B Here, too, is a vacant space at the beginning of the line, where we miss the aksharas rttayó vi-.

¹³ This is what is, or seems to be, actually engraved. The st or stt at the beginning may be meant for set or set at the name of the ditaks I am unable to make out.

¹⁴ Here, again, I am unable to guess what name may be intended, and can only say that the two last aksharas probably are meant to be ==êti.

¹⁵ Below the aksharas of line 73, beginning with the did of ditakan and ending with the iva of paramétras, about ten or eleven more aksharas are engraved, close to the lower edge of the plate; but they are too indistinct to be made out. It is just possible that they are the eleven aksharas which for some reason or other are omitted at the beginning of lines 70-73.

^{*} According to information furnished to me with the impressions, this is the name now current; but the original name must have been *Dvdrajd*, an appellation of Bhavanî which I have not met with before.

The inscription, after the words 'Om, om, adoration to the goddess Dvaraja,' opens with a verse glorifying Bhavanî, who is here named Dvaraja; and its proper object is, to record (in verse 17) the foundation of a temple of that goddess by Anantadêva, the chief astrologer of the Yadava king Simha (or Singhana). It clearly divides itself into two parts: verses 2-7 give an account of Anantadêva and his ancestors, which is interesting from a literary point of view, while verses 8-15 glorify the king Simha and his father and grandfather.

Anantadêva belonged to a family which traced its origin to the sage Sândilya (v. 2). In that family there was born, as a son of a certain Manôratha, the learned Mahêśvara (v. 3), who (in v. 4) is stated to have composed a Karana of the planets, entitled Sêkhara, a work called Pratishthâvidhi-dîpaka, another work described as Phala-grantha, and a brief commentary on the Laghujātaka. His son was Śripati (v. 5); and his son, again, Gaṇapati (v. 6). And Gaṇapati's son was the founder of the temple, Anantadêva (v. 7), a scholar versed in the three branches of the Jyôtisha-śâstra, who expounded the 20th Adhyâya, called Chhandatchity-uttar-âdhyâya,¹ of Brahmagupta's Brâhma-Sphuṭasiddhânta, and also the great Hôrâ (i.e. the Brihajjātaka) of Varâhamihira.— The family here treated of was already known to us from the Pâṭṇâ inscription of Singhaṇa,³ which also mentions Maŋôratha and his son Mahêśvara, the father of the astronomer Bhâskara, who must have been a brother of the Śrîpati of this inscription. Of the literary works enumerated above, the published catalogues of Indian libraries actually mention, as still existing, Mahêśvara's Laghujātaka-tikâ, and probably also his Pratishṭhâvidhi-dîpaka.³

The description of the king Simha (Singhana) and of his father and grandfather, Jaitrapâla and Bhillama, in verses 8-15 of our inscription, is in general purely conventional, and the only historical facts recorded of them are, that Jaitrapâla, 'an ocean of compassion, made Ganapati, whose life had been preserved in battle, lord of the Andhra country' (v. 12), and that Simha defeated the powerful Arjuna (v. 14). Both events are mentioned, partly in the same words, also in the Paithan copper-plates of Râmachandra of Śaka-Samvat 1193, from which we learn that Jaitugi (Jaitrapâla), 'an ocean of compassion,' led Ganapati out of prison and made him lord of the land, meaning, apparently, the land of Trikalinga. The prince Arjuna, spoken of in connection with Simha, Dr. Bhandarkar would identify with Arjuna[varmadêva] of Mâlava, whose published copper-plate grants are dated in the Vikrama years 1267, 1270 and 1272.

Verses 16-18 state that, during the reign of Simha, Anantadêva, who had obtained the post of chief astrologer of the king, founded the temple, at or near which this inscription was afterwards put up; and that he received pecuniary assistance in this work from his younger brother Mahêsvara, who composed this *Prasasti*. Verse 19 contains the usual prayer for the preservation of the temple, and the poem closes (in v. 20) with the date,—the first day of Chaitra of the expired Saka year 1144, the year Chitrabhânu. A line in prose adds that the inscription was written by the Någara Bråhmana Gangâdhara, and that the Sûtradhâra or architect (probably of the whole temple) was Thâlŷ.

The date does not admit of exact verification; but the expired Saka year 1144 (=A.D. 1222-23), by the southern luni-solar system, was the Jovian year Chitrabhanu, as stated in the inscription.

¹ See Weber's Catalogue of the MSS. of the Berlin Library, Vol. II. p. 296.

² See Ep. Ind. Vol. I, p. 340.

² See Prof. Aufrecht's Catalogue Catalogorum, p. 445, b.

⁴ This appears to me the most suitable meaning of the words yedki dkritem in line 12.

⁵ See Ind. Ast. Vol. XIV. p. 316, and Vol. XXI. p. 198.

⁶ See his Early History of the Dekken, p. 82.

⁷ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 135, Nov. 149, 151, and 152,

TEXT.

- 1 Om ² || Ôm namô Dvârajâ-dêvyai || Jayati ³ Ditija-bhîtam viśvam=âśvâsayamtî mṛidita-Mahisha-dêh-ôdd[âma-Dai]ty[â]dhinâthâ ⁴ | praṇata-surapuramdhrî-mauli-mâṇikya-mâl-âruṇa-charaṇasarôjâ Dvâraj-âkhyâ
- 2 Bhavânî || 1 [||*] ⁶Âsîd=asîma-mahanîya-mahâ maharshih Śâmdilya ity=akhila-bhûvalay-âvatamsah | yad-dhôma-dhûma-paṭalêna Kalimdakanyâ-sambhêda-kâmtir=abhavad=divi Dêvanadyâh || 2 [||*] Ambhôja-
- 3 bhûr=iva babhûva Mahêśvar-âkhyô vamśê viśâla-tapasaḥ prathitasya tasya | jñânî Manôratha-sutaḥ śruti-sadma satya-lôk-âśrayô vivu(bu)dha-râja-śirô-dhṛit-âṃghriḥ || 3 [||*] Yaḥ⁶ Śêkhar-âkhyaṁ karaṇaṁ grahâṇâṁ
- 4 prashtham Pratishthâvidhi-dîpakam cha | chakrê Phala-gramtham=api sphut-ârtham laghum cha tîkâm Laghujâtakasya || 4 [||*] 7Tasmâd=asêsha-ni[ja]-vamśa-viśêshakô=bhût=saujanya-bhûh sakala-sâdhu-dhuram 8 dadhânah | vânî-
- 5 vilâsa-vasatiḥ śruti-pâra-dṛiśvâ .śvî(śrî)-Śrîpatiḥ kṛiti-nishêvita-pâdapadmaḥ || 5 [||*]
 Tasy=âgaṇya-guṇ-ârṇṇawô Gaṇapatiḥ puṇyâtmanâm=agraṇiḥ sûnuḥ sûnṛita-vâk=kavi-vraja-vibhur=vidyâ-nidhir=vi-
- 6 dyatê ! sishy-â[jñâ]na¹¹-tamâmsi yasya nudatô jâtâ jagad-vyâpinî kîrttih kritsna-kalâ-kalâpa-pilayasy=êmdôh prabh=êv=ô[j*]jvalâ || 6 [||*] Sadvidya-dvija-vrimda-vamdita-padadvamdvât=tatô=jâyata jyâyaḥ-kî-
- 7 rítir=Anamtadêva iti yas=triskamdha-śâstr-âśrayah | ramyam Vra(bra)hma-vinirmitam vyavrinuta Chchhamdaśchitêr=uttaram Hôrâm cha pravarâm Varâhamihirâchârya-pranîtâm prithum || 7 [||*] Atha râja-vamśah || 11Vishvak-sênah prabaddh-ô-
- 8 ddhata-bali-nripatir=vikram-âkrâmta-viśvah śaśval=Lakshmy=ôpagûḍhô Yadu-kula-tilakah prôddhrit-ôttumga-bhûbhrit | bhûmî-bhâr-âvatâram kila Kali-[sa]mayê karttukâmô Murârêr=amśah kô=py=âvir=âsî-
- 9 d=bhuvi bhavana-vibhôr=bhûpatir=**Bhillam-**âkhyaḥ || 8 [||*] ¹²Khamdit-ôru-ripu-râja-mamdalô yasya Râhur=iva rishtir=âhavê | drishtimâtra-krita-śûra-[sâ]dhvasô nîla-nîrada-ruchir=vyarôchata || 9 [||*] Yô ¹³ da-
- 10 kshin-êsô dhanadah prachêtâ jishnuh suchih punya-janô mahêsah | mahâbalas=ch=êti samasta-lôkapál-âtmakah pâlayati sma lôkam || 10 [||*] 14Bhûpâla-bhâlatilakô=jani Jaitrapâlas=tasmâ-
- 11 t=Smar-âkṛitir=akṛitrima-vikrama-śrîḥ| prushṭâḥ pratâpa-śikhinâ kshitipâ vipakshâ rûpâmtarâṇi śalabhâ iva yasya bhêjuḥ || 11 [||*] ¹⁵Himamayûkha-mayûkha-viśṛimkhal-âkhila-yaśó-bhara-śô-

¹ From impressions supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

Expressed by a symbol. Metre: Mâlinî.

⁴ The upper portion of the syllables *dma-Dai* is damaged, but the actual reading appears to be as given above. Instead of the word *uddáma* I should rather have expected a word meaning 'frightened' or something

Metre: Vasantatilakâ; and of the next verse. Metre: Upajâti.

⁷ Metre: Vasantatilakâ.

⁸ Originally -dhuram was engraved.

⁹ Metre: Śârdûlavikridita; and of the next verse.

¹⁰ The syllable jnd looks in the original like ktrd.

¹¹ Metre: Sragdharâ. 12 Metre: Bathôddhatâ.

¹⁸ Metre: Upajāti. — Dakshiņēša = Yama, the guardian of the South; Dhanada = Kubēra, the guardian of the North; Prachētas = Varuņa, the guardian of the West; Jishņu = Indra, the guardian of the East; Suchi = Agni, the guardian of the South-East; Punyajana = Rakshas or Nirriti, the guardian of the South-West; Mahābala = Vâyu, the guardian of the North-West; Mahābala = Vâyu, the guardian of the North-West.

¹⁴ Metre: Vasantatilaks. 15 Metre: Drutavilambita.

- 12 bhita-dik=cha yaḥ | Gaṇapatim patim=Amdhrabhuvô vyadhâd=yudhi ḍhṛitam karuṇâ-ta(va)ruṇâśrayaḥ¹ || 12 [||*] ²Ripu-nṛipa-Hiraṇyakaśip-ûr-u(t)rassthala-dalana-Narasimhaḥ | Simhô=jani jani-jagatî-jayasya jaga-
- 13 tî-patis=têna || 13 [||*] *Dripyat-sapatna-prithivîpati-kumbhi-kumbha-sambhêdan-âkripa-kripâṇa-karô=chirêṇa | Kâmbôja-vâji-jita-kumjaram=âjimadhyê râjânam=Arjunam=atarjayad=ûrjitam yah || 14 [||*] Ma-4
- d-ôddâma-dvêshi-dvirada-rada-samghatta-vikata-sphulimg-ôdyad-vidyut-prahara n a-ra n a-sphûrjjathu-prithuh | visuddh-âmbhô-dhârô yad-asi-jaladah kajjala-nibhah pratâpam prâmsûnâm kshapayati vipaksha-kshiti-
- 15 bhṛitâm || 15 [||*] Vasudhâm⁵ tatra vasudhâ-sudhâdhâmni mahîpatau | praśâsati sati kshmâbhṛich-chhirô-vinyasta-śâsanê || 16 [||*] ⁶Tasy=aiva daivajña-gaṇ-âgraṇitvam [râ]jñaḥ prapady=âmum=Anamtadêvah ||(|) akâraya-
- 16 t=sa trijagaj-jananyâḥ prâsâdam=âsâdita-tat-prasâdaḥ || 17 [||*] Sâhâyyam=arthêna vidhâya dharmmê tasy=ânujanm=êha Mahêśvar-âkhyaḥ | imâm prasannâm=anavadya-padyâm=vinirmmamê nirmmala-
- 17 dhîḥ praśastim || 18 [||*] Śêshô yâvad=vahati vasudhâm=êsha śîrshair=aśêshair=yâvad=vêlâ-valayam=akhilam n=âbdha[yô la]mghayamti | târâs=târâpatir=api ravêr=mamdalam=yâvad=êtat=tâvad=dêvyâ bhavatu bhavanam
- 18 bhûshaṇam bhû-talasya || 19 [||*] ⁸ Shaṭk-ônê sadala-sat-âdhi[kê] sahasrê 1144 varshâṇâm Śaka-pṛithivîpatêḥ prayâtê | Chaitr-âdya-pratipadi Chitrabhânu-varshê prâsâdô şrachi ruchirô=yam=Ambikâyâḥ |(||) 20 [||*]
- 19 Mamgalam mahâ-śrîh || Likhit=êyam Nâgarajñâtîya-brâ° pam° Gamgâdharêna || Sûtra-dhâra[s=Th]âlû ||

No. 19.- NALLUR GRANT OF HARIHARA II.

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Three sets of impressions, prepared by the late Sir Walter Elliot, of the subjoined inscription were forwarded by Dr. Fleet to Dr. Hultzsch, who has kindly placed them at my disposal for publication. The impressions are four in number. The first and the fourth bear the Kanarese numerals 'one 'and 'three' respectively, and the second the numeral 'two.' Consequently, the original, which I am unable to trace, appears to consist of three copper-plates, of which the first and the third are engraved only on one side, and the second on both sides. At the top of each plate is a hole through which a ring that held the plates together, must have been passed.

The alphabet employed in the inscription is Nandinagari throughout, with the exception of the last line, which is in Kanarese characters. The technical execution of the inscription is far from good. The distinction between long and short u is maintained only in the first ten lines, in which three cases of long u occur, viz. mula (l. 3), murti (l. 8), and bhur=iha (l. 10). Throughout the rest of the inscription, no attempt is made to distinguish the long from the short u. But, in order not to swell the footnotes unnecessarily, I have inserted the long u in the text wherever the sense requires it, except in the case of proper names which are not generally

¹ Compare karund-varundlayah, 'an ocean of compassion,' in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 316, line 23.

² Metre: Gîti. ³ Metre: Vasantatilakâ. ⁴ Metre: Śikharini.

E Metre: Slôka (Anushtubh). 6 Metre: Upajāti; and of the next verse.

⁷ Metre: Mandâkrântâ. 8 Metre: Praharshinî.

⁹ I am not quite sure about the consonants enclosed in brackets; possibly the intended reading may be odkara-Thalt.

known. In four cases the short u is marked in such a way that it might be mistaken for a conjunct r, viz. pu° (at the end of 1. 19), tulâ and purusha (1. 36), and samudra (1. 39). are certain peculiar mistakes which repeat themselves in this inscription. In line 14, the long as well as the short i are attached to the tt of pôttine (for pôtrine), and the same mistake recurs in connection with the śr of śrî in line 52. In tadiyâ (l. 11) and pâlaniyô (l. 89), the short i is used instead of the long î. To the ti of kôtira in line 15, and to the si of vira-si in line 23, the sign of \hat{a} is affixed in addition to the \hat{i} and \hat{i} , respectively. In $d\hat{a}na$ (1.69) and $ad\hat{a}^{\circ}$ (1.70), the dhas two signs of \hat{a} affixed to it in each case. Both the vowels ri and i are attached to d and v, respectively, in drisha (l. 62) and vritti (l. 64). In some conjunct consonants of which the last element is r, and which are followed by a long \hat{a} , the r is added to the sign of length instead of to the group itself. For instance, the r of dainshtrå (1.4), åsid-gråma (1.59), and odrån (1.89), instead of being added to sht, dg, and d respectively, is connected with the sign of length in each case. The distinction between s and a is not clearly marked. The s of bhógôtsava (1.29) and of simhâsana (l. 33 f.), and the a of abhujamga (l. 24) and of anivârita (l. 39) are nearly In yad-damshtrå (l. 9), makaramdda (l. 20), and Muddanena (l. 83), the two d's are written side by side without any attempt to indicate the virama. Similar anomalies occur in lines 26 and 32. In the former case h and m are written side by side, and in the second case tataparé is written for tatparê. In line 19, we have a peculiar form of the letter ja. The right angle, which is usually attached to the middle of the vertical portion of the letter, is in this case affixed at the bottom. The double tt takes the place of tr in the following cases:— p ltin e(l. 14), tattasi (l. 59), kalatta (l. 61), yatta (l. 62), and puttapautta (l. 68).

Of mistakes due to wrong pronunciation, the following may be noted:— $vrishty\hat{a}$ (1. 12) and $Vum\hat{a}$ (1. 61) occur instead of $vrishty\hat{a}$ and $Um\hat{a}$, respectively. The dental sibilant is used for the palatal in si for $sr\hat{a}$ (11. 23 and 72), in $S\hat{a}liv\hat{a}h\hat{e}$ (1. 50 f.) and in srauta for srauta (1. 75). Dh occurs for ddh in sidha for sidha (1. 49), and dhdh for ddh in sidhdha (1. 66). The lingual l occurs in the following Sanskrit words:— maingala (1. 22 f.), $kal\hat{a}$ (1. 35), $\hat{a}val\hat{a}$ (1. 49), kalatta (1. 61), $chakrav\hat{a}la$ (1. 79), and yugala (1. 92). The Tamil name $Ilaig\hat{a}vil$ has been changed to $Yalaig\hat{a}vil$ (1. 62). It remains to be noted here that the name of the father of Harihara II. is written Bhuka once (1. 23), and Bhukka throughout the rest of the present inscription, while in all other inscriptions which have been published, the name is spelt with the unaspirated b and double k.

The language of the inscription is Sanskrit, verse (II. 2 to 37, and 50 to 92) and prose (II. 1, 38 to 50, and 93). The first two verses are invocations addressed to Siva and to the boar-incarnation of Vishņu, respectively, the third to Gaṇapati, and the fourth and fifth again to the boar-incarnation. The sixth verse refers to the Moon, and the seventh to his descendant Yadu and to the race of the Yâdavas, who sprang from the latter. The eighth mentions Samgama (I.), the first historical person of the first Vijayanagara dynasty, and the tenth his son Bhukka (i.e. Bukka I.). Bhukka's queen was Gauri and their son Harihara (II.) (v. 14), in whose reign the present inscription is dated. A lengthy prose passage (II. 38 to 50) consists of a list of the birudas of Harihara (II.). Verse 18 gives the date of the inscription, while verses 19 to 31 specify the village granted and the donees. Verse 33 again celebrates Harihara (II.), and verses 34 and 35 contain the names of the composer and of the engraver of the inscription. Then follow four of the usual imprecatory verses. In the last verse (40) the king beseeches future rulers to protect the gift made by him. As in other Vijayanagara inscriptions, the end of the document is marked by the name of the god Śrì-Virūpāksha in Kanarese characters.

Of the history of the Vijayanagara kings we do not know so much as might be expected of a dynasty which rose to prominence only about the beginning of the 14th century of the Christian era. The earliest epigraphical record of this dynasty is the only known inscription of Harihara I., in which he is called Mahâmanḍaléśvara Pūrva-paśchima-samudr-ādhīpati Śri-Vira-

Hariyappa-Vodeya, and which is dated in Saka-Samvat 1261, the Vikrama samvatsara (= A.D. 1340). Of him the Bitragunta grant of Samgama II. says that he defeated "the Sultan." In his Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. p. 161, Mr. Sewell refers to a Hindû confederation, of which the Râya of Vijayanagara formed a party, and which "with an immense force drove the Muhammadans out of Orangal" in A.D. 1344. Though we have no inscription of Harihara I. as late as A.D. 1344, it is not impossible that he was the Râya of Vijayanagara who joined the confederation, because the earliest inscription of his younger brother Bukka I. is dated in Saka-Samvat 12763 (= A.D. 1353). Bukka I. is represented in two inscriptions as a Mahâmandaléévara ruling in the Hoysana country.4 Perhaps this statement furnishes a clue to the origin of the Vijayanagara kings. It may be that they were originally feudatories of the Hoysala kings. After the utter defeat of the Hoysala king Ballâla III. and the demolition of his capital Dvarasamudra by the Muhammadans in the year 1327 A.D.5 he evidently continued the semblance of a kingdom; for there are inscriptions dated in Saka-Samvat 1262 (= A.D. 1340), which refer themselves to his reign, at Erode in the Coimbatore district and at Tiruvannamalai in the South Arcot district,7 and one dated as late as Saka-Samvat 1265 (= A.D. 1342) at Whitefield in the Bangalore district.8 It would therefore appear that Ballâla III. left Harihara I. in the north as a check to the Muhammadan invaders, who had ousted him in A.D. 1327. His subordinate evidently took advantage of the opportunity to create a principality for himself and eventually to assert his independence. The only epigraphical record of Harihara I. makes no reference to Ballâla III. as overlord, nor does it furnish any clue as to the extent of the dominions owned by Harihara I. It is during the time of Bukka I. that the capital Vijayanagara first makes its appearance.9 There is reason to believe that the Muhammadans continued to be troublesome during the reign of Bukka I. as well.¹⁰ It was during the time of Bukka's son Harihara II. that the kingdom became firmly established. This is shown by the fact that he could turn his energies to extend his dominions in the south, or rather to recover possession of the provinces which were probably once subject to Ballâla III.

The exact date of the accession of Harihara II., in whose reign the subjoined inscription is dated, is not known. He must have ascended the throne between Saka-Samvat 1293 and 1301. From this as well as from other inscriptions we learn that he was the son of Bukka I. by his queen Gauri. In the Satyamangalam plates of Dêvarâya II. we are told that Harihara's queen was Malâmbikâ. His inscriptions have been found at Hampe or Vijayanagara in the Bellary district; 4 at Bêlûr, 5 Chitaldroog, 6 Harihar 7 and Hassan 18 in the

6 Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1891-92, p. 8.

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. X. p. 63; see note 52 on the same page.

² ante, p. 32, verse 5.

⁸ Jour. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XII. p. 338.

⁴ ibid. p. 340.

⁵ Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 70.

⁷ Madras Christian College Magazine, Vol. IX. p. 667.

⁸ Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1892-93, p. 2.

⁹ ante, p. 36, note 1; Jour. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XII. p. 374; Colebrooke's Miscellaneous Essays, Madras edition, Vol. II. p. 258, where it is said that Bukka (I.) made "Vidyânagarî" a permanent metropolis; and Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, pp. 55 and 278.

¹⁰ According to Mr. Sewell (*Lists of Antiquities*, Vol. II. p. 163), two attacks were made by the Muhammadans about this time on Vijayanagara, the first in 1265-66 and the second in 1378 A.D. The first attack was successful, but in the second the leader was eventually compelled to retire.

n The latest known date of Bukka I. is Śaka-Samvat 1293 according to the genealogical table of the first Vijayanagara dynasty published ante, p. 36, and the earliest date hitherto discovered of Harihara II. is Śaka-Samvat 1301; see Jour. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XII. p. 340.

n ante, p. 37, verse 7; Colebrooke's Miscellaneous Essays, Madras edition, Vol. II. p. 258; and Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, p. 278.

¹⁸ ante, p. 37, verse 9. 14 South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. No. 152.

¹⁵ Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, pp. 222, 227, and 268.

¹⁶ In Colebrooke's Miscellaneous Essays, Madras edition, Vol. II. pp. 254-267, an inscription on three brass plates, found at Chitaldroog, is published, and another found at the same place is noticed.

¹⁷ Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, p. 55. 18 ibid. p. 278.

Mysore state; at Makaravalli in the Hångal taluka of the Dharwar district; 1 at Conjeeveram2 and at Tiruppåsûr 3 near Tiruvallûr in the Chingleput district; and at Śrîrangam in the Trichinopoly district.4 These localities furnish a fair indication of the extent of the dominions of Harihara II. If we except the inscriptions of the Udaiyar chiefs,5 whose names and birudas resemble those of the kings of Vijayanagara, but about whose exact place in South-Indian history nothing can at present be said with certainty, the earliest Vijayanagara inscriptions in the south belong to the reign of Harihara II. From this fact it may be concluded that he was the first Vijayanagara king who had any possessions in the southern portion of the Madras Presidency. As his earliest inscriptions in the south are dated in Saka-Samvat 1315 (= A.D. 1393), we may further conclude that his expedition to the south cannot have taken place long before that date. The unpublished inscriptions at Conjeeveram and Tiruppassur in the Chingleput district are dated in that very year.⁶ The former records that the king made a copper door for the central shrine (vimana) of the temple of the goddess Kâmâkshî. The statement contained in one of his inscriptions, published by Dr. Fleet,7 that he made gifts at Kanakasabhâ, Kâlahasti, Venkaţâdri, Kânchî, Śrîsaila, Śoṇaśaila, Ahobala, Śriranga and Kumbhakôṇa, need not be mere empty boast,— as in the case of the exploits claimed by some other Vijayanagara kings in their inscriptions,— because there is no reason to doubt that these places were included in his dominions. The two verses which refer to these gifts, were probably composed during the reign of Harihara II. and were copied by later kings. 8 Nor is it improbable that Harihara II. actually performed the "sixteen great gifts," as special reference is made to them in the subjoined inscription (verse 17), in the copper-plate grant published by Colebrooke, and in the Satyamangalam plates of Dêvarâya II.10 The spirit of toleration which characterised the religious feelings of several ancient kings of Southern India, seems to have continued during the time of Harihara II.; for we learn from inscriptions that he patronised the Saivas, Vaishnavas and Jainas alike.11 The tutelar deity of the kings of the first Vijayanagara dynasty was Virûpâksha, the name of the large Siva temple at Vijayanagara.12

¹ Jour. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XII. p. 340 f.

² Dr. Hultzsch's Progress Report for February to April 1890, p. 4, No. 29 of 1890.

⁸ The date of this unpublished Tamil inscription is as follows:— iriman-mahamandaléśvaran śri-Vira-Harihararayanukku śellôninga Śak-abdam dyirattu munnugru orubattu anjin mel śellâninga Śrimukha-samvatsarattu; "in the Śrimukha year, which was current after the Śaka year one thousand three hundred and fifteen (had expired), (during the reign) of the illustrious Mahamandaléśvara, the glorious Vîra-Harihararaya."

^{*} Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1891-92, p. 16, No. 58 of 1892.

⁵ On the history of these chiefs see South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. pp. 117 ff. and Madras Christian College Magazine, Vol. IX. pp. 670 ff.

⁶ See notes 2 and 3 above.

⁷ Jour. Bo. Br. B. A. S. Vol. XII. p. 355, 11.75 to 82 of the text.

⁸ In two inscriptions (Jour. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XII. p. 382, lines 21 to 26 of the text, and Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 364; verses 26 and 27), these two verses occur in connection with Vîra-Nârasimba, the elder brother of Krishnarâya.

Miscellaneous Essays, Madras edition, Vol. II. p. 259, verse 19.

¹⁰ ante, p. 37, verse 8.

n That the king made gifts at Kâlahasti and Sônasaila, which are places sacred to Siva, as well as at Veńkatâdri and Śrîrangam, which are sacred to Vishnu, shows that he made no distinction between Śaivas and Vaishnavas. His toleration for Jainism is shown by the fact that he could allow his general Iruga to build a Jaina temple at the capital, Vijayanag ara; see p. 117, note 4.

n This is borne out by the fact that the colophons of the inscriptions of this dynasty consist of the name of the god Virûpâksha. In an inscription of Harihara II. published by Dr. Fleet, Jour. Bo. Br. R. A. S. Vol. XII. p. 375, it is said that the 'guardian' of the city of Vijayanagara was the god Śrî-Virûpâkshadêva; compare Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, p. 55.

The date of the death of Harihara II. is not known, but the latest date yet discovered of this king is Saka-Samvat 1321 (= A.D. 1399), the date of the present grant and of the Makaravalli inscription. His principal officials were:—

- 1. Sâyaṇa, who, as will be seen below, was the minister of Harihara II. about the beginning of his reign. According to a Banawâsi inscription, dated Śaka-Samvat 1290 (= A.D. 1368), Sâyaṇa's elder brother, Mâdhava, was ruling the Banavase Twelve-thousand under Bukka I.³
- 2. Iruga or Irugapa-daṇḍanâtha, the son of Chaicha, who was the minister of Bukkarâya. Iruga built a Jaina temple at Vijayanagara. He is also referred to in an inscription at Śravaṇa-Belgola, and in an unpublished inscription at Tirupparuttikkuṇram near Conjeeveram. In the second he is called "the best of Jainas" (Jainôttaman). He had also some literary tastes, for he composed the Nânârtharatnamâlâ.
- 3. Muddaya-daṇḍanātha, who is mentioned in an inscription at Harihar⁸ and one at Belûr.⁹ There is a long unpublished Sanskrit inscription in Grantha characters, containing a string of birudas of this minister, in the Ranganātha temple at Śrîrangam.¹⁰
 - 4. Gundapa-dandanatha, who is mentioned in inscriptions at Belar. 11
- 5. Vìra-Bâchanna-Vodeya, who, according to a Kanarese inscription at Makaravalli in the Hângal tâlukâ of the Dharwar district, dated Śaka-Samvat 1321, the Pramâdi samvatsara, and during the reign of Harihara (II.), was ruling Gôve, the modern Goa. 12
- 6. According to an unpublished copper-plate inscription in the Nandinâgari alphabet and Kanarese language at Bhatkal in the Bombay Presidency, two impressions of which were received by Dr. Hultzsch from Mr. Cousens,— Mallana-Odeyar, who resided at Honnâvura (Honavar), was ruling the principality of Haive in Śaka-Sainvat 1309, the Kshaya sainvatsara (= A.D. 1387), as a dependant of Harihara (II.). With the permission of Dr. Hultzsch, I subjoin the passage which contains the date of this inscription.

TEXT.13

- 3 स्वस्ति [॥*] श्रीमग्रतापचक्रवर्ति पूर्वदिचिणपिश्वमसस्[द्रा]-
- 4 धीखर श्रीमञ्जहाराजाधिराज राजपरमेखर श्री[वी]-
- 5 रहरिहरमहाराय[र] विजयसांमाच्या[भ्य]दयदलु [श्री]-
- 6 मल्ल[ण]ग्री[डे]यर ही नावुरदिल इहु हैवेय राज्य-
- 7 व[नि]14 पालिसुतं15 विदंदिन [श]कवरुष साविरद सु-
- 8 नूरे श्रोंभत्तनेय चय[सं]वसरद¹⁷ सिंहद गुरु पुष्य [बहु]ल

¹ See p. 116, note 1.

² According to Professor Aufrecht, Catalogus Catalogorum, p. 711, Sayana died in A.D. 1387.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. IV, p. 206.

⁴ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 156. 5 Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, No. 82.

⁶ Dr. Hultzsch's Progress Report for February to April 1890, p. 3.

⁷ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 156.

⁸ Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, p. 56. 9 ibid. pp. 267 ff. 10 See p. 116, note 4.

¹¹ Mr. Rice's Mysore Inscriptions, pp. 222 and 227.

¹² See p. 116, note 1.

¹⁸ From two ink-impressions prepared by Mr. Cousens.

¹⁴ Read राज्यवन्न.

Bead प्तिमहंदिन.

¹⁸ Read Hat.

¹⁷ Bead संबत्धरद,

TRANSLATION.

"Hail! During the victorious and prosperous reign of the glorious and powerful emperor, the lord of the eastern, southern and western oceans, the glorious king of great kings and supreme lord of kings, the glorious Vîra-Harihara-Mahârâya,— while the glorious Mallana-Odfelyar, residing at Honnavura, was ruling the kingdom of Haive,—in the Kshaya samvatsara, which corresponded to the Saka year one thousand three hundred and nine, (when) Jupiter (was standing) in Leo, on Thursday, the fifth (tithi) of the dark (fortnight) of (the month of)

Gold and copper coins, apparently issued during the reign of Harihara II., still exist. In his paper on the Coins of the Kings of Vijayanagara, Dr. Hultzsch describes a half-pagoda and a copper coin. A second copper coin is described in his paper on South-Indian Copper Coins.2 On all of them the legend reads Pratapa-Harihara.

Of the birudas of the king mentioned in lines 38 to 50 of the subjoined inscription, the most important are: Karnāṭaka-lakshmī-karn-āvatamsa, Šārdūla-mada-bhañjana. Vêdabhashya-prakâsaka and Vaidîka-mârga-sthâpan-âchârya. The first shows that he was ruling over the Karnata country, and the second that he professed to have conquered the Chôlas, who had the tiger for their emblem. The biruda Vêdabhâshya-prakâsaka clearly refers to the commentaries on the Vêdas, which were published under the king's authority by Sâyanâchârya. This celebrated Vêdic scholar professes to have been the minister of Saingama II. and of Harihara II.3 The biruda Vaidika-mārga-sthāpan-āchārya of the inscription corresponds to Vaidika-marga-pravartaka, which is attributed to Harihara (II.) in the colophon of Sâyana's commentary on the Satapathabráhmana.4 In his Oxford Catalogue Professor Aufrecht describes a manuscript of the Tarkabhāshā-prakāsikā. From its colophon we learn that the work was composed by a certain Chinnabhatta, who was the son of Vishnudêvârâdhya, the younger brother of Sarvajña, and a dependant of Harihara-Mahârâja.5 Professor Aufrecht tells us elsewhere that Sâyaṇa's teacher was Vishṇu-Sarvajña.6 This Sarvajna was very probably identical with the elder brother of Chinnabhatta, and the Harihara-Mahârâja of the colophon of the Tarkabhâshâ-prakâśikâ with Harihara II. Some of the details furnished by Mâdhava's and Sâyaṇa's works 7 regarding their relations and contemporaries are corroborated by a mutilated Grantha inscription of the Arulala-Perumal temple at Conjeeveram,8 which, with the permission of Dr. Hultzsch, I subjoin,9 as far as it can be made out :-

- स्वस्ति त्री [॥*] श्रीमायी जननी पिता तव मुनिर्वोधाय[नो] मायणो 1
- भूषाुरनुजः श्रीभीगन[1]यः कविः $[1^*]$
- [सं]ग[म]भूप[तिः क] . . [र]प्रश्री[क]ण्डनाघो गुरुभारहाज[क्]-
- लेश सायि गुर्णेखत्त[स्त]मेवा[धिक:]10 [॥]

¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 302.

² ibid. Vol. XXI. p. 321.

⁸ See ante, p. 23.

⁴ The passage alluded to runs as follows: - श्रीमद्राजाधिरानराजपरसंश्वरवैदीनसार्गप्रवर्त्तनश्रीवीरहरिहरसूपालसा-माज्यघरंघरेष सायवाचार्येष ; Professor Weber's Berlin Catalogue, Vol. II. p. 73.

⁵ The colophon referred to runs as follows: - श्रीइरिइरमहाराजपरिपालितेन सहजसर्वज्ञविश्वदेधाराध्यतनजेन सर्वज्ञानुजीन चित्रभट्टेन विरचितायां वर्जभाषाप्रकाशिकायाम् . . ; Professor Aufrecht's Oxford Catalogue, p. 244, a.

⁸ Catalogus Catalogorum, s.v. सायजः

⁷ ante, p. 23.

⁸ Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1892-93, p. 14, No. 50 of 1893.

⁹ From an inked estampage received from the Editor.

¹⁰ Read युर्णेस्वत्तस्वमेवाधिक:.

This verse is addressed to Sâyaṇa and states that he belonged to the Bhâradvâja gôtra and followed the Bôdhâyana sûtra, and that his mother was Śrìmâyî, his father Mâyaṇa, his younger brother the poet Bhôganâtha, his master king Samgama (II.), and his preceptor Śrîkaṇṭhanâtha. His elder brother is also mentioned, but the name, instead of being Mâdhava, as may be expected, seems to begin with Mâyaṇa.

The date of the subjoined inscription (verse 18) is not quite intelligible. The meaning of the syllables gôtradhacha (l. 51) is not apparent; nor can the occurrence of the word tidhau (i.e. tithau) in the same line after Pramādini be explained, as the word occurs afterwards (l. 52) in its proper place. Leaving these two obscure words aside, the date is Wednesday, the day of a lunar eclipse in the month of Kārttika of the cyclic year Pramādin, which was current after the Śālivāha Śāka year 1321. Mr. Dikshit, to whom I submitted this date for calculation, has favoured me with the following remarks:—"The pūrnimā of adhika (intercalary) Kārttika of Śaka-Samvat 1321 expired, ended on a Wednesday at 27 gh. 20 p. Ujjain mean-time. Its European equivalent is the 15th October, 1399 A.D. There was a lunar eclipse on this day, as mentioned in the inscription, and, consequently, the above date must be intended in it, though the word adhika (intercalary) does not occur. There is a method by the application of which and by making calculations from the First Ârya-Siddhânta, this month is likely to prove an ordinary (not intercalary) month. The eclipse mentioned was visible for a short time after sunset over almost the whole of India."

According to verse 19, the place at which the grant was made by the king, was the shrine of the god Virûpâksha on the Bhâskara-kshêtra at Pampâ, a quarter of the city of Vijayana-gara. Pampâ is the Sanskrit equivalent of Hampe, the Kanarese name of one of the villages which now occupy the site of the ruins of Vijayanagara. The shrine of Virûpâksha, or Pampâpati, is even now situated in the centre of the village of Hampe. From the present inscription we learn that that portion of Pampâ or Hampe, on which the temple of Virûpâksha is built, bore the name Bhâskara-kshêtra.

The donees of the subjoined inscription were two Brâhmaṇa brothers, [Au]bhala and Nrisimha, who belonged to the Bharadvâja gôtra and appear to have studied the Yajurvêda. The object of the grant was the village of Nallûri (v. 23) or Śrînallûr (v. 29), which was also called Sâvaṇarâjiyapûram (v. 25). The village was situated in Meguṇâ-vaḷanâḍu, which was also called Nalaṭuripâlem-sìmâ and formed part of Paiyûri-kôṭṭa, a district of the Chandragiri-mahârâjya. Chandragiri is now the head-quarters of a tâlukâ in the North Arcot district. According to Mr. Crole's Chingleput Manual (p. 438), "Peiyur-kottam" formed part of the modern Poṇṇêri tâlukâ. Meguṇâ-vaḷanâḍu is probably a corruption of the Tamil name Meykuṇṛa-vaḷanâḍu, which occurs in two of the copper-plate inscriptions preserved in the Madras Museum. According to these two grants Meykuṇṛa-vaḷanâḍu was another name of Paiyûr-kôṭṭam. Nalaṭuripàlem may be connected with Nellaṭuri, which is mentioned in a copper-plate grant of the third Vijayanagara dynasty. Toṇḍîra-maṇḍala, which occurs in verse 20 of the subjoined inscription immediately before the boundaries of the granted village,

¹ In the introduction to his commentary on the *Pasasarasmriti*, Mâdhava calls his mother Śrimati; see ante, p. 23, note 4.

According to the Bitragunta grant, Śrikanthanatha was the preceptor of Samgama II.; ante, p. 22.

⁸ Ep. Ind. Vol. 1. p. 361.

⁴ See Dr. Burgess' Archæological Survey of Southern India, Vol. IV. pp. 148 and 150. The passage in which Meykunga-valanadu occurs, is identical in both of these inscriptions and runs as follows:— Śeyańkonda-Tonda-mandalattil Śandiragiri-rachchiyattil kil-karaiy=ana Meykunga-valanad=ana Payyūr-kkottattil; "in Paiyūr-kottam, also called Meykunga-valanadu, which formed the eastern district (?) of Chandragiri-rajyam, (a division) of the Jayankonda-Tonda-mandalam."

⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII, p. 127.

⁶ Tundâka-vishaya was the name of the Pallava country according to a Western Chalukya inscription, South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 146, and Tundîra-mandala occurs in a Tirumalai inscription, idid. p. 106.

is a Sanskritised form of the well-known Tondai-mandalam, the ancient Tamil name of the Pallava country. Though the word Tondîra-mandala does not stand before Chandragiri-mahârâjya, it appears from the two Madras Museum grants quoted above,¹ that the latter was considered as a portion of the former, just as the Paḍavîḍu-râjya was according to a later Vijayanagara inscription.² The granted village lay to the north of Chiruvâpurî, to the south of Panappâka, to the west of Toranallûri, and to the south-west of the Arani river. Of these boundaries, the villages of "Panappâkam" and "Toranullur" are in the Poṇṇêri tâlukâ,³ and the Ârani river passes through the same tâlukâ. Consequently, the village of Nallûr must be looked for in the Poṇṇêri tâlukâ. On the Poṇṇêri Taluk Map there is a village called Vaḍakku-Nallûr (No. 124), which is to the south-west of the Ârani river, to the south of Śevuṭṭu-Paṇappâkkam (No. 125), and to the north-west of Turanallûr (No. 123), which is probably the same as the "Toranullur" of the Chingleput Manual and the Toranallûri of the inscription. Though the remaining boundary, Chiruvâpurî, is not found on the Taluk Map, Vaḍakku-Nallûr may be safely identified with Nallûri or Śrînallûr, the village granted by the inscription.

TEXT.4

First Plate.

- 1 श्विभमस्त । श्रीगणाधिपतये नमः ।
- 2 नम(:)[स्तुं]गशिरसुंबिचंद्रचामरचारवे । नैली-
- 3 व्यनगरारंभमूलस्तंभाय घंभवे । [१*] हरे-
- 4 [र्ली]लावराइस्य दं[श्रा]दंड(:)सा पातु व: । ई-
- 5 माद्रिकलमा यत्र धार्ति च्छत्रश्रियं दधी । [२*] हेमांभो-
- 6 क्इकिंज[स्क]पुजिंपजिरितां प्रये³ । विश्लेखरा-
- 7 य विद्वानां निहंत्रे विद्धे नमः । [३*] 'विणारादिव-
- 8 राइस्य मृतिनित्यं त्रियेस्तु वः । धात्रीं मद्द
- 9 ति दं इपि धत्ते यस्तु श्रिया सह । [8*] यहं दू[i] कुर-
- 10 गा हि भूरिह सतां कर्माणि वेदार्थिनां तैर्नी-
- 11 दत्यमरा हिर: कुलगुरुखेषां तदिया घना: [।*]
- 12 ते वर्षेत्ति भ्वंति सर्वेत्ततवासस्यानि¹⁰ विद्या¹¹ प्र-
- 13 जास्तैर्नदंति पितामचप्रणिहितास्तस्म न-
- 14 म: पोत्तिणे¹² । [५*] ¹³त्रासीनैलोक्य[जी]वातुरानंद इव मृ-
- 15 र्तिमान । परमेखरकोटीरप्रथमाभरणं ग्रंभी । [६*]
- 16 तदन्वये महातेजा यदुरासी सहीपर्तः [1*] सीम-

¹ See p. 119, note 4. Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 132, verse 53 of the text.

Mr. Crole's Chingleput Manual, pp. 345 and 346.

[•] From three ink-impressions by the late Sir Walter Elliot.

⁶ Read पानी, ⁸ Read पुञ्ज.

⁸ Read तैनेन्द्रन्यभ्रा. 9 Read तदीया.

⁷ Read विषी. 10 Read खतिका.

n Read बुद्धा. n To the स of पीतिय both i and i are attached; read पीचिये.

²⁸ Read पासीचें. 14 To the Z of कोटीर both f and d are attached. 15 Read महोपति:.

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वंग्या यत: स्नाच्याद्यादवा इति विश्वता: । [७*] तस्म-
17
     न¹ यदुकुले श्वाच्ये ²सीभू[च्छि]संगमेश्वर: । येन पूर्व-
18
     [वि]धानेन पालिता: सकला: प्रजा: । [द*] यदाशःपुं-³
19
     [ड]रीकस्य कर्णिका कनकाचलः । मक[रं]इप्र-
20
     वाह्रीभून्महामंदा[िक]िन नदी । [८*] तस्य श्री[संग]में-
21
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द्रस्य पुत्रीभूत् पुष्यवैभवात् । 'विरित्रमंग-22

ट्यां वीरसिभुकभूपित: । [१०*] सप्तार्चिरलसं [लोका] 23

म्रभुजंगविभूषणं [।*] वदंखनुप्रनाम[ा]नं मि[वं] 24

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Second Plate; First Side.
     यं भुक्तभूपतिं [११*] यक्तीर्तिलच्चाः क्रीडंत्या [ब्र]:
25
      च्चंडं रत्नमंटपं<sup>10</sup> । सुत्ताच्छत्रं शर्या-
26
      क[स्तु] दीप: ग्रुक्रदिवाकरी । [१२^*] धर्मण्^1 रच्नित
27
      चीणीं वीरत्रीभुक्तभूपती । निरातंका भ-
28
      [य]ात्तिसिनित्यभोगीत्मवाः प्रजाः [१३*] गौरीसह-
29
      चरात्तस्मात् प्रादुरासीबाहेखरात् । प्र[ऋ]ा
30
     प्रतीत स्कंदांशी राजा इरिइरेखर: । [१४*] सर्व-
31
      वर्णात्रमाचारप्रतिपालनततपरे । तस्मिन
32
      चतु(:)सामुद्रां[त]ा भूमि: कामदुघाभवत् [१५*] सिं-
33
      चासनज्ञषस्तस्य कीत्या<sup>13</sup> भांति दिशो दश । उ-
34
      द्याद्रिगतस्यें[दो]ज्योत्सायेव" कळानिधे: । [१६*]
35
      <sup>15</sup>तलापुरुषेदानादिमहादानानि षोडम । क्र-
36
      तवान प्रतिराजन्यवध्यपातात्मवैभवः ॥ [१७*]
37
      <sup>17</sup>त्रीमद्राजाधिराजराजपरमेखरः । पूर्वद-
38
      चिणपश्चिमीत्तरसमुद्राधीखर: । अनि[वा]-
39
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रित[: ।*] दुष्टराजराजन्यभुजंगवैनतेय: ।

[ग्र]रणागतवच्चपंजरः । कलिकालधर्मः ।

कर्णाटकलच्छीकर्णावतंसः । चतुवर्णात्र-18

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42

³ The anusvara is at the beginning of the next line. 1 Read तिखान्. ⁵ Read वीरत्री. ⁵ The anuscara is at the beginning of the next line. 4 Read मन्दाविनी.

⁷ Read ेट्रां बीरमीसुक. To the स of वीरसि both i and & are affixed.

⁸ Read यत्कोर्तिसम्याः.

⁹ Read ब्रह्मास्टं.

¹¹ Read धर्में च. 10 Read मञ्जप:. 14 Read °खेन्दीज्यीत्स्वयेव.

¹³ Read तत्परे.

u Read कीर्ला.

¹⁵ Read YEV. 18 Read चतुर्वका⁰.

[»] Read पातात्तवेशव:

¹⁷ Read ^Oमाधिराज.

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        [म]पालक: । कुलगिरितटलिखितघोषण: [।*]
 43
        [र] ग्रंगभिषण: । परराजराजीवसुधाक-
 44
        र: । परनारीसहोदर: । पुरुषक्षोकप्रहष:<sup>2</sup> ।
 45
        शादंलमदभंजन: । चेरचीळपांडास्त्र[1]-
 46
        पनाचार्यः । वेदभाष्य प्रकाशकः । वैदीकमा गि-
 47
        [स्थ] पनाचार्य: । कर्मोपेताध्वर्य: । राजकर्ल्या * ] एप्रेख[र] [: । * ]
 48
                                 Second Plate; Second Side.
        <sup>4</sup>[स]धसारखतेत्वादि[बि]क्दाविक्रमूषित: स खतु श्रिंविरप्र-⁵
 49
        तापहरिह[रदे]वमहाराय: । धात्रीनेत्रगुणचपेतरयुते श्रिसा-
 50
        लिवाहे गते [शाखें गो] त्रधच प्रमादिनि तिधी मास्युर्जने ना-
 51
        मनी<sup>8</sup> । पत्ते तत्र वळत्त्वे बुधदिने <sup>9</sup> श्रीपौर्णिमास्यां<sup>10</sup> तिधौ (1)
 52
         काले पुष्यिमि हि तरे 11 शभकरे सीमीपराग वरे । [१८] स्रीतं-12
 53
        गभद्रापरिघे13 नगरे विजयांच्ये14 । पंपायां भास्कर[ची]-
 54
        वे श्रीविरूपाचसंनिधी । [१८*] चंद्रगिरिमहाराज्ये प्रा[ज्ये]
 55
         पैयुरिकोटके<sup>¹⁵</sup> । नलट्रिपाळॅसीमाख्ये मेगुणाव[ल]-
  56
         नाड्के । [२०*] तोंडीरमंडले ख्याते विद्विद्ध(:)क्पश्रोभिते [।*]
  57
              चि[रू]-
         वापुर्युदग्भागे पनपाकस्य दिख्णे । [२१*] नैर्ऋत्याम[र]-
  58
         शीनद्यास्तीरनस्र्रिपश्चिमे<sup>16</sup> । [२२*] स<sup>17</sup>तत्तासीहामवरी
  59
         यामी <sup>18</sup>नज्ञ्रिसं[ज्ञि]त: । पार्श्वकेदारजनुषा यी रेजे स-
  60
         स्यसंपदा । [२३*] <sup>19</sup>वुमारमाकळत्ताभ्यां<sup>20</sup> सहिती प्रिवके-
  61
         भवी । यळंगोविल्नोलिंद्षवामानी<sup>श</sup> यत्त<sup>22</sup> तिष्ठत: । [२४*]
  62
         पुरं सावणराजीयं<sup>23</sup> प्रतिनाम्नेति विश्वतं ।
  63
    1 Read भीषण:.
                                 2 Read <sup>©</sup>हर्ष:-
                                                               <sup>1</sup> Read <sup>©</sup>ध्वर्य:.
                                  5 Read श्रीवीर.
                                                               <sup>5</sup> Read चपेश्वरमिते श्रीशा<sup>0</sup>
    4 Read सिद्ध.
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⁷ Read भाके.

s Read नामान. The grammatically correct reading, which is, however, precluded by the metre, would be °र्जनगमनि.

⁹ To the T both long and short i are attached.

¹⁰ Read पौर्षमास्यां तिथी.

¹¹ Read महत्तरे.

¹² The anusvara is at the beginning of the next line.

¹³ Read परिखे.

¹⁵ Read पैयरिकोहकी.

¹⁶ Read नज़रि. The second half of verse 22 seems to have been omitted. Probably the omitted portion contained the boundary of the granted village in the western direction.

²⁷ Read तना[©].

¹⁸ Read नज़रि.

¹⁹ Read उसा. 20 Read कलनान्यां

²¹ Read द्ष^o.

²² Read यत्र.

²³ Read राजीयं.

- 64 ¹वित्तिद्वादशसंयुत्तं तिममं ग्राममुत्तमं । [२५*] सर्वमा-
- 65 न्यं चतुस्तीमासंयुतं च समंतत: । निधिनिचेष-
- 66 पाषाणसिध्व[स]ाध्यजलान्वतं । [२६*] अत्रचाखागामिसं-
- 67 यु[क्तं⁴ म्र]ष्टभो[ग्यं] सुभूतिदं⁵ । वापीकूपतटाकेस क-
- 68 च्छारामैच ग्रोभितं । [२७*] 'पुत्तपौत्तादिभिर्भोग्यं (१) क्रमा-
- 69 [इ] चंद्रतारकं । 'दानस्य[ा*]धमनस्यापि विक्रयस्था-
- 70 पि चीचितं । [२८*] ⁸ ऋदाद्गामवरं रंग्यं ⁹ श्रीनब्रुरि[ित] सं- 10
- 71 जितं । [श्री]भक्राध्वरिव[य्य]ीय सानुजाय विपसीते॥ । [२८*]
- 72 12 समरद्वाज[गो]त्तिव्यवरनारायण[त्म]ज: । आर्च [स्रीभ]-
- 73 क्यव्च[1*] तु ष[ड्व]त्तिमिह चात्रुत । [३०*] तस्यानुजी महातेजा[:*]¹³ स्तिसा[ग]-
- 74 [र]पारगः । नृसिंच्यज्वा च क[ति] वृति[ष]ट्रमवाप्तवान् । [३१*] परितः प
- 75 प्रयितै[स्त्रिप्ने] पुरोहितपुरोगमै: । विविधैर्वि[बु]र्थि[:*] स्रीत[पिध]-16

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- 76 [कौ]रिधकौर्गिरा । [३२*] वीर: श्रीवरभुक्रभूषतनय: स्मा-
- 77 पालचूडा[मणी]:^{17 18}पुंखत्कीर्तिविभूषित-
- 78 [चि]भुवन: स्फूंर्जेत्[प्र]तापीदय: [।*] श्राचंद्रार्कम[गा]-
- 79 [रव]त् वसु[म]तीमाचक्रवाळाचलं श्रीमानाइव[राघ]-
- 80 वो इरिइर[:*] स्तां पालयत्यन्वहं । [३३*] स भूयो याजको धीमान् को-
- 81 टिशा रोध्यनंदन: । शासनश्लोककर्ता वै मसनाराध्यव-
- 82 त्तिक: । [३४*] तच्छासननिदं स्वामीशासनेन विलेखितं । शासना-
- 83 चार्यवर्थ्येष सुद्दणेन च शिल्प[न] ॥ [३५*] स्वदत्ता[दु*] दिगु[णं] पु-
- 84 एयं परदत्तानुपालनं । परदत्तापहारेण खदत्तं नि-

¹ Read वृत्ति. 2 Read सिंड and जलान्तितम्. 3 Read प्रतिस्था. 4 Read युक्तमष्ट. 5 Other inscriptions read सभूतहं instead of सुभ्तिदं. 5 Read पुत्रपीडा.

⁷ To the दा a second vertical line is attached besides the sign of length.

⁸ To the दा of भदा a second sign of length is affixed.

⁹ Read नज्ञि ; the akshara ति is engraved below the line.

¹⁰ The anusrdra is at the beginning of the next line.

¹¹ Read विपश्चिते.

P Read श्रीभरदाज ; गीतिया, i.e. भीनीय, is used in the sense of सुनीच.

¹⁸ The letter जा is engraved above the line.

¹⁴ The letter ति is engraved below the line; read इती हति.

⁴ Read परीत: प्रयतै: स्त्रिन्धै:.

अ Read श्रीतपधि°.

¹⁷ Bead मिं:.

¹⁶ Read भें खत् ?

¹⁹ Read °निमदं खानि.

- 85 ष्पतां भवेत् । [३६*] खदत्तां परदत्तां वा यो इरेति वसुंधरा[म्*] । षष्टि-3
- 86 वैषेसच्छाणि विष्ठायां जायते क्रिमि: । [३७*] एकेव भगिनी ली-
- 87 के सर्वेषामेव भूभुजां । न भीच्या न करयाच्चा विप्रदत्ता व-
- 88 सुंधरा । [३८*] सामान्यीयं धर्मसेतुं नृपाणां काले काले पा-
- 89 लनियो⁵ भवभ्व: । सर्वानितान भाविन: पार्श्विंद्रान भूयो
- 90 भूयो याचते रामचंद्र: । [३८*] मदंशजा: परमहीपति[वं]श्रजा
- 91 वा ये वंशजा[:*]6 'सततमुज्वलधर्मचित्ता[:*] । 'तद्दर्ममेव परि-
- 92 पालनमुद्दहंति ^१तप्तादपद्मयुगळं शिरसा वहामि ॥ [४०*]
- 93 श्रीविरूपाच¹⁰ [॥*]

TRANSLATION.

- (Line 1.) Let there be prosperity! Obeisance to the blessed Ganadhipati!
- (Verse 1.) Adoration to Sambhu (Siva), who is adorned, as with a châmara, with the moon that is kissing (his) lofty head, (and) who is the principal pillar at the building of the city (which consists) of the three worlds!
- (V. 2.) Let it protect you,— the staff-like tusk of Hari (Vishnu), who disported himself as a boar, (placed) on which (tusk) the Earth resembled a parasol, with the golden mountain (Mêru) as its point!
- (V. 3.) I make obeisance to Vighnêsvara (Gaṇapati), the remover of obstacles, whose feet are dyed yellow by the mass of the stamina of golden lotus-flowers.
- (V. 4.) Let it always bring you prosperity,— the body of Vishnu, the primeval Boar, who carries on the tip of (his) huge tusk the Earth along with Srî (Lakshmî)!
- (V. 5.) Obeisance to that Boar, on whose graceful tusk rests the Earth!— On this (earth) (are performed) sacrifices by good men who know the meaning of the Vêdas; by these (sacrifices) the gods are pleased; the head of the race of these (gods) (is) Hari (Indra); to him (Indra) belong the clouds; these (clouds) pour forth rain; by rain all creepers and grain grow; (and) by these, the men created by Pitâmaha (Brahmâ) are gladdened.
- (V. 6.) There was (produced) the Moon, who supports the life (of the inhabitants) of the three worlds, who appears to be an incarnation of joy, (and who is) the chief ornament on the diadem of Paramésvara (Śiva).
- (V. 7.) In his (the Moon's) race, there was a glorious ruler of the earth, (called) Yadu, after which praiseworthy (king) the descendants of the race of the Moon are (also) called Yadavas.
- (V. 8.) In this praiseworthy race of Yadu was born that glorious lord Samgama, by whom all subjects were protected according to the ancient rules.
- (V. 9.) The lotus of his fame had the golden mountain (Mêru) for its seed-vessel, (and) the great Mandâkinî (Gangâ) river for a stream of honey.

¹ Read हरेत. 2 Read षष्टिं वर्ष.

⁸ Read एकेंब. ♣ Read सेतुर्नृ°.

⁷ Read ^०सुरुवस्

⁸ Read सड्से⁰.

⁹ Read तत्पाद

¹⁴ In Kanarese characters.

- (V. 10.) In consequence of (his) numerous good deeds (in former births), this glorious king Samgama begat a son, the glorious king Vîra-Bhu[k]ka, who was an auspicious mirror to the goddess of heroes.¹
- (V. 11.) People identify this king Bhukka with Siva, devoid of terrible surnames, as he is slow of fire (i.e. anger) (and) not surrounded by dissolute friends (bhujamga), [while Siva is quick of fire and adorned with serpents (bhujamga)].
- (V. 12.) The sporting goddess of his fame (had) the mundane egg for a jewelled hall, the Moon for a parasol (set with) pearls, and Venus and the Sun for a (double) lamp.
- (V. 13.) While that glorious king Vîra-Bhukka was righteously protecting the earth, the people, unafflicted by calamities, were continually enjoying festivals.
- (V. 14.) From this great lord (mahêśvara), who was the husband of Gauri, was born the lord Harihara, a king who was renowned by (his) power (śakti), (and) who was a partial incarnation of Skanda.²
- (V. 15.) While this (king) was engaged in upholding the observances of all the castes and orders, the earth up to the four oceans became the celestial cow (in fulfilling all desires).
- (V. 16.) The ten directions are illumined by the fame of him who is seated on the throne, as by the light of the full-moon who is standing over the eastern mountain.
- (V. 17.) Having taken away the wealth of rival kings (as suddenly) as a falling thunderbolt, (he) performed the sixteen great gifts, viz. the gift of his weight (in gold), etc.
- (Line 38.) This glorious Vîrapratâpa-Hariharadêva-Mahârâya, who was adorned by a series of such birudas as:— The illustrious king of kings and the supreme lord of kings; the lord of the eastern, southern, western and northern oceans; the unopposed; a Vainatêya (i.e. Garuḍa) to the snakes (which are) wicked kings and princes; an adamantine cage for refugees; the Dharma (i.e. Yudhishthira) of the Kali age; the ear-ornament to the goddess of the Karṇāṭaka (country); the supporter of the four castes and orders; he whose proclamations are engraved on the slopes of the principal mountains; he who is formidable on battlefields; the moon to the day-lotuses (which are) hostile kings; a brother to the wives of others; he whose (only) delight is the fame of virtue; the destroyer of the pride of the Tiger; the master in establishing the Chêra, Chôla, and Pâṇḍya (kings); the publisher of the commentaries on the Vêdas; the master in establishing the ordinances prescribed by the Vêdas; he who has provided the Adhvaryu (priests) with employment; the auspicious ornament of kings; he whose eloquence is well-known;—
- (V. 19.) At the city (nagara) called Vijaya (i.e. Vijayanagara), whose most is the holy Tungabhadra, at Pampa, at the Bhaskara-kshêtra, in the presence of (the god) Śri-Virûpaksha;—⁵

¹ The mirror is one of the eight auspicious objects (ashta-mangala). In saying that Bukka was an "auspicious mirror" to the goddess of heroes, the composer probably meant that the king was a special favourite of that goddess.

² The god Skanda is the son of Mahêsvara (Siva) and Gauri, and bears a spear (śakti).

⁸ The tiger was the emblem of the Chôla kings.

⁴ The unintelligible syllables गीचधच send the word तिथी, i.e. तिथी, after प्रमादिनि are last untranslated; see p.119 above.

The construction is here interrupted by verses 20 to 24. The verb follows in verse 29.

- (V. 20.) In the great Chandragiri-mahârâjya, in Paiyûri-kôṭṭa, in the Meguṇâ-vaļanâḍu (also) called Nalaṭuripâḷem-sîmâ;—
- (V. 21.) In the renowned Tondîramandala, which is adorned by learned men, on the northern side of Chiruvâpurî, on the south of Panappâka;—
 - (V. 22.) On the south-west of the Arani river, (and) on the west of Toranallûri;-
- (V. 23.) There was the best of villages, the village called Nallûri, which was resplendent with an abundance of corn, growing in the neighbouring paddy-fields;—
- (V. 24.) Where Siva and Kêsava (Vishņu) under the names of Yalangôvil and Nîladrishad reside along with (their) consorts Umâ and Ramâ (respectively).
- (V. 25.) This best of villages, which was well known under the other name Sâvaṇarâjiyapuram, (and) which was accompanied with twelve shares;—
- (V. 26.) Free of taxes, up to (its) four boundaries on all sides, together with treasures, deposits, stones, actuals, outstandings, and water;—
- (V. 27.) Together with the akshini and agamin, with the eight enjoyments(?), productive of great wealth, adorned with ponds, wells, tanks, marshes and groves;—
- (V. 28.) To be enjoyed in regular succession by sons, grandsons, and so forth, as long as the moon and the sun (endure), (and) with the right to present, mortgage, and sell (it);—
- (V. 29.) (The king)¹ gave (this) excellent (and) levely village, called **Śrînallūr**, to the learned [Au]bhaļa,² the best of sacrificers,³ and to his younger brother.
- (V. 30.) The pious [Aubha]la-Yajvan, the son of Nârâyaṇa, who was the best of the descendants of the holy götra of Bharadvâja, received six shares of this (village).
- (V. 31.) His younger brother, the pious (and) glorious Nrisimha-Yajvan, who had crossed the ocean of the Védas, also received six shares.
- (V. 32.) Surrounded by several pious (and) amiable scholars, who walked in the path prescribed by the Vêdas, who were full of eloquence, (and) who were headed by the family priest (purôhita).
- (V. 33.) The son of the favourite of fortune, king Bhukka,— the heroic Harihara, the crest-jewel of kings, the illustrious Râghava (Râma) in war, whose roaming (?) fame adorns the three worlds, and whose brilliant power is (always) rising, protects day by day, as long as the moon and the sun (endure), like a (single) house, the earth which is his own, up to the Chakravâla mountain.
- (V. 34.) The composer of the verses (ślóka) of (this) edict (śásana) (was) the wise son of Kôṭiśârâdhya, Mallanârâdhyavṛittika, who had frequently performed sacrifices.
- (V. 35.) The sculptor Muddana, the best among the masters (of the writers) of edicts, caused this edict to be engraved by order of the lord (Harihara).

[Verses 36 to 39 are four of the usual imprecatory verses.]

(V. 40.) "I bear on (my) head the pair of the lotus-feet of those kings, either descendants of my race or descendants of the races of other kings, who, always resplendent with charitable thoughts, undertake the protection of my gift."

(Line 93.) Šrî-Virûpaksha.

¹ See p. 125, note 5.

² This name is probably derived from Ahôbilam, a famous Vaishnava shrine in the Karnûl district, which is mentioned in inscriptions of Harihara II. and later Vijayanagara kings.

³ Adhvarin and yajvan (v. 30 f.) appear to be synonymous with adhvarys, 'a student of the Yajurvėda.'

⁴ This verse has to be construed with verse 29, before which it ought to stand. The composer appears to have copied it from earlier Vijayauagara grants without the necessary discrimination.

No. 20.— ACHYUTAPURAM PLATES OF INDRAVARMAN.

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The copper-plates which bear the subjoined inscription, belong to Mallapragada Surya. Prakasa Rao of Achyutapuram, near Mukhalingam, in the Ganjâm district. They were brought to my notice by Mr. G. V. Ramamurti of Parlâ-Kimedi, and forwarded to me at my request by the Collector of Ganjâm. The owner has consented to let me deposit the plates in the Madras Museum. The plates are three in number and measure $5\frac{7}{8}$ by 2 inches. Their rims are not raised. The second plate bears writing on both sides. The plates are in a state of nearly perfect preservation. The ring on which they were strung, and which had not yet been cut when I received the plates, is about $\frac{5}{16}$ " thick and about $3\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter. The small oval seal, in the lower part of which the ends of the ring are secured, measures about $\frac{3}{4}$ " by $\frac{5}{8}$ ". It bears, on a slightly countersunk surface, some indistinct emblem or emblems. The weight of the three plates is $15\frac{1}{4}$ oz. and that of the ring and seal 6 oz.,—total 1 fb $5\frac{1}{4}$ oz.

The alphabet of the inscription resembles the alphabets of the two published grants of Indravarman II.¹ The language is nearly correct Sanskrit. With the exception of three imprecatory verses (lines 19-22) and one concluding verse (l. 23 f.), the inscription is written in prose.

The plates record a gift of land, which was made at Kalinganagara (l. 1) by one of the kings of Kalinga (l. 4) of the Ganga family (l. 6),—the Maharaja Indravarman (l. 8), alias Rājasimha (l. 24), during (the sun's) progress to the north (udag-ayana, l. 13), i.e. during the half-year between the winter and summer solstices. Near the end of the inscription, there is a second date which is probably intended for the day on which the edict was engrossed and issued.² This second date is "the eighty-seventh year (in words and numerical symbols) of the reign, on the new-moon of Chaitra" (l. 23). Dr. Fleet has published another copper-plate grant of the Mahârâja Indravarman, alias Râjasimha, which is dated in "the ninety-first year (in words and numerical symbols) of the reign." The proximity of this date (91) to that of the subjoined inscription (87) suggests that both inscriptions belong to one and the same king, Indravarman I. alias Rajasimha. This view is further corroborated by the concluding verse of the present grant, which is identical with that of the other grant, and shows that both inscriptions were drafted by the same person, viz. Vinayachandra, the son of Bhânuchandra. Besides, the introductory passage which celebrates the virtues of the king, is literally the same in both inscriptions4 and styles the king "the establisher of the spotless family of the Gângas,"— an epithet which, as noticed by Dr. Fleet, does not occur in other grants of the Gângas of Kalinga.

The object of the grant was a portion of a field in the village of Siddharthaka in the district of Varahavartani⁵ (1.8), which was given to a Brahmana of the Chhandôga school (1.12). The field was situated near a tank named Rājataṭāka (11.10 and 15), i.e. "the King's Tank," the water of which the donee was permitted to utilise for irrigation purposes (1.17f.).

¹ See the photo-lithographs, Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 120 f. and p. 122 f.

² Similar double dates occur in other Gânga grants; Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. pp. 120 and 122 f., and Vol. XVIII. p. 144.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. pp. 131 ff.

⁴ The only exception to this is the omission of the word sukha after sarva-rtu in line 1 of the Achyutapuram plates.

⁵ The same district is referred to in two other Gånga grants; Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII, pp. 120 and 273.

According to line 12 f. the grant was made on the occasion of the consecration of a tank $(tat\hat{a}ka)^1$ in honour of the king's mother. This tank appears to be distinct from the "King's Tank" $(R\hat{a}jatat\hat{a}ka)$, near which the field was situated.

TEXT.2

First Plate.

- 1 श्रों³ स्वस्ति [॥*] सर्वर्तरमणीयादिजयकलिङ्गनगरात्मकलभुवननिमाणिक-
- 2 सूत्रधारस्य भगवती ⁴गोकर्ग्नस्वामिनस्ररणकमलयुगलप्रणामा-
- 3 द्वायतकालिकलङ्को विनयनयसम्पदामाधारः स्वासिधारापिर-
- 4 बाराधिगतसकलकलिङ्गाधिराज्यश्चतुरुद्धितरङ्गमेखलावनित-
- 5 सप्रविततामसय्या(:) श्रनेकसमरसंचीभजनितजयग्रन्दी
- 6 गाङ्गामसञ्जलप्रतिष्ठः प्रतापातिश्यानामितसमस्त्रसामन्त-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 7 चुडामणिप्रभामञ्जरीपुञ्चरञ्जितचरणो मातापितृपादानुद्यातः
- 8 परममान्नेखर: श्रीमन्नाराजेन्द्रवर्मा । वरान्नवर्त्तन्यां सिहार्र्यक्यामे
- 9 सर्वसमवेतान्सुटुम्बिनसामाज्ञापयति [॥*] विदितमस्तु वो यथास्मिन्या-
- 10 मे राजतटाकचेने इलस्य भूर्खेदीक्तत्य सर्वेकरपरिद्धा-
- 11 रेखाचन्द्राक्षेप्रतिष्ठङ्कला 'मातापितृभ्यामात्मनच पुर्ाभिष्टदये गौत-
- 12 ससगीचाय च्छन्दोगसब्बद्धाचारिण दुर्गग्रमीण मातुभटारिक[1*]-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 13 पादानान्तटाकप्रतिष्ठापनसुदगयनि उदकपूर्व्वसस्माभिसांप्रदत्ता [।*]
- ्f 14 तिद्वदित्वा स्वभूमिमनुपालयता[त्र] केनिचत्परिवाधां कार्य्या । सीमालिङ्गानि [। *]
- 15 पूर्वेण राजतट्राकपाली [।*] सैव दिचणेन [।*] पश्चिमेन परिपाद्या वल्मी-कचयं [।*]
- 16 उत्तरपाखा कपाटसम्ब्युपरि पाषाणस्ततः सेष्टकोन्यः पाषाण-

¹ The grant recorded in the Alamanda plates was made on a similar occasion; see ante, p. 20. The construction of a tank is one of the seven meritorious acts called samtana or samtati; see ante, p. 92, note 3.

⁵ The engraver had originally omitted the word राजतटाकचेंच. He discovered his mistake after he had written the words इवसं भूक्ट्रीक्रस, which he effaced, and over which he engraved राजतटाकचेंचे इ°. Distinct traces of the effaced letters are visible on the original plate and on the photo-lithograph.

⁸ Bead सातापित्रीरात्म

⁷ Read प्रतिष्ठापन सदनस्त.

⁸ Read outl.

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- 17 स्तती धिमारतब्दयं ततः कारकष्टचर्यति । तटाकीदकवस्थमीचे न केनचि-
- 18 दिंघात: कार्येति । भविषद्राजिभवायन्दानधर्योनुपाख्यस्तथा च व्यासगीता² [1*]

Third Plate.

- 19 बहुभिर्वेसुधा दत्ता बहुभियानुपालिता [1*] यख यख यदा भूमिस्तख
- 20 तस्य तदा फखं [॥*] षष्टिं वर्षसङ्साचि मोदते दिवि भूमिदः [।*] श्राचेप्ता चानु-
- 21 मन्ता च तान्धेव नरके वसेत् [॥*] खदत्तां परदत्तां वा यबाद्रच युधि-ष्टिर [।*]
- 22 मही म[हि]मर्ता श्रेष्ठ दानाक्क्रेयोनुपासनमिति । प्रवर्धमानविजय-⁴
- 23 राज्यसंवसरा: सप्ताशीर्ता:*] ८० ७ चैत्रामावास्त्रां । इदं विनयचन्द्रेग
- 24 भानुचन्द्रस्य स्नुना [।*] ग्रासनं राजसिङ्क्सं लिखितं समुखाच्चया ॥

TRANSLATION.

- (Line 1.) Om. Hail! From the victorious (city of) Kalinganagara, which is pleasant in all seasons,— the devout worshipper of Mahêśvara, the glorious Mahârâja Indravarman,— who adores the feet of (his) mother and father; whose feet are reddened by the dense clusters of the light of the jewels on the crests of all vassals, prostrated by (his) excessive valour; who has (effected) the establishment of the spotless race of the Gângas; who has caused the cry of "victory" to resound in the turmoil of many battles; whose spotless fame is spread over the surface of the earth which is girt by the waves of the four oceans; who has acquired the sovereignty over the whole (country) of Kalinga by the quivering of the edge of his own sword; who is a receptacle of modesty, wisdom, and wealth; (and) who is freed from the stains of the Kali (age) by (his) prostrations at the pair of lotus-feet of the god Gôkarnasvâmin, the sole architect for the construction of the whole world,— addresses (the following) order to the ryots and all (other inhabitants) of the village of Siddhârthaka in (the district of) Varâhavartani:—
- (L. 9.) "Be it known to you that, at the consecration of a tank (in honour) of the feet of the lady (our) mother, during (the sun's) progress to the north (udag-ayana), we have given, with libations of water, (one) plough of land in a field (near) the Rājatatāka in this village,—having portioned (it) off, with immunity from all taxes, having made (the grant) to last as long as the moon and the sun, for the increase of the religious merit of (our) mother and father and of ourselves,— to Durgasarman, a member of the Gautama gôtra (and) a student of the Chhandôga (śākhā). Knowing this, nobody shall cause hindrance to (the donee and his descendants) while they preserve (i.e. cultivate and enjoy?) their own land.
- (L. 14.) "The marks of the boundaries (are the following):— In the east, the band (pâlf) of the Râjataṭâka; in the south, the same; in the west, three ant-hills in succession; on

¹ Resd कार्य इति.

³ This sentence appears to be left incomplete through a mistake of the engraver. Read व्यासगीता: श्रीका सर्वन्ति, as in line 13 of the Parla-Kimedi plates of Indravarman, Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 134.

Bead नहीं. 'The न of नान is entered below the line in the original; a caret (hamsapada) over the line between ना and नि marks the place in which it must be inserted.

⁵ Bead ेसिंइस.

the northern side, a boulder on the top of a gate, then another boulder (covered) with bricks, then a couple of dhimāra (or adhimāra?) trees, and then a kāraka tree. Nobody shall cause hindrance (to the donee) if (he) opens the sluice (udaka-bandha) of the tank.

(L. 18.) "And future kings should preserve this meritorious gift; for there are (the following) verses composed by Vyasa:—"

[Three of the customary verses.]

- (L. 22.) (In) the year eighty-seven,— (in figures), 80 (and) 7,— of the prosperous and victorious reign, on the new-moon of Chaitra.
- (L. 23.) This edict (śásana) of Rājasimha was written at the command of his (the king's) own mouth by Vinayachandra, the son of Bhânuchandra.

No. 21.— CHICACOLE PLATES OF GUNARNAVA'S SON DEVENDRAVARMAN.

BY E. HULTZSCH, PH.D.

These copper-plates were found at Chicacole in the office record room of the Principal Assistant Collector of Gañjâm and kindly forwarded to me by Mr. C. J. Weir, I.C.S., Acting Collector of the Gañjâm district. Mr. G. V. Ramamurti of Parlâ-Kimedi informs me that he has no doubt that this set of plates is the missing one of the six sets which were dug up at Chicacole some years ago and purchased by Mr. Grahame. Like the five other sets, these plates are now deposited in the Madras Museum. They are three in number and measure $8\frac{1}{8}$ by $3\frac{3}{8}$ inches. The margins of both sides of the second plate, and those of the inner, inscribed side of the first and third plates are raised into rims for the protection of the writing, which is in a state of very good preservation. The ring on which the plates were strung, and which had not yet been cut when I received them, is about $\frac{7}{16}$ thick and $4\frac{3}{4}$ in diameter. The small oval seal, in the lower part of which the ends of the ring are secured, measures about $1\frac{1}{8}$ by $1\frac{1}{4}$ in diameter. It bears, in relief, on a countersunk surface, a recumbent bull, which faces the proper right and is surmounted by a crescent. The weight of the three plates is $2\frac{\pi}{10}$ 2 oz., and that of the ring and seal $1\frac{\pi}{10}$ 2 oz., — total $3\frac{\pi}{10}$ 4½ oz.

The alphabet of the inscription resembles that of the Achyutapuram plates of Indravarman I., with which,— unlike the two grants of Indravarman II., it shares the Någari forms of and a. In line 26 f. the inscription furnishes instances of the numerical symbols for 100, 80, 3, and 20, and, combined with the last, of the decimal figure for 0.6 The language is not very correct Sanskrit. With the exception of three imprecatory verses (ll. 20-24) and one verse which records the name of the writer (l. 24 f.), the inscription is in prose. As regards orthography,— the jihvámálíya is employed once (in tak-Kalinga, line 2), and the upadhmániya five times (in lines 7, 10, 17, 18, 19). The anusvára before i expressed by i in nistrinia (l. 4), vanisyéna (l. 24), and viniati (l. 26 f.). In accordance with Pâṇini, viii. 4, 47, the letter k is doubled before r (in dharmma-kkrama-vikkramānām, l. 19), and the letter t before y (e.g. in prattyaksham, l. 25, but not in satya-tyâga, l. 8), and before r (e.g. in yattra, l. 16, but not in Krishnātréya-sagātra, l. 12). The erroneous doubling of t in Māttrichandra (l. 24) shows that the vowel ri was pronounced as ri, which is actually used for ri in kritvâ (l. 10).

¹ This appears to refer to the sluice of the tank.

² This is perhaps the Telugu gara-cheffu, 'a bramble.'

³ Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 7; Vol. II. p. 21 f.; and Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 48,

⁴ ante, p. 127.
⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 120 f. and p. 122 f.

⁸ In his Gupta Inscriptions, p. 292, note 2, Dr. Fleet [notices two other cases of the combination of a decimal figure with a numerical symbol.

The plates record the grant of the village of Poppangika in Saraümaṭamba, a subdivision of the district of Krôshṭukavartani (l. 9), as an agrahâra (l. 10) to six Brâhmaṇa brothers, who resided at Kalingânagara (l. 11) and belonged to the Chhandôga school (l. 12). The grant was made at Kalinganagara (l. 2) by one of the kings of Kalinga (l. 5) of the Gânga family (l. 4),—the Mahârâja Dêvêndravarman, who was the son of Guṇârṇava (l. 8). The date of the grant was the eighth tithi of the bright fortnight of the month of Mâgha (l. 11), during (the sun's) progress to the north (udag-ayana). The edict itself was engrossed and issued in "the one-hundred-and-eighty-third year (in words and numerical symbols) of the reign, on the twentieth (solar) day (in words and figures) of the month of Śrâvaṇa" (l. 26 f.). This second date is subsequent to the first by at least several months. Unfortunately, neither of the two dates contains any elements which admit of verification, and which might thus help to fix the initial point of the Gânga era. The second date is preceded by the names of the writer of the edict and of an official witness (l. 24 f.), and followed by the name of the engraver (l. 27).

Owing to the uncertainty in which the Gânga era is still involved, nothing can at present be said about Dêvêndravarman, the son of Guṇârnava, but that he must be distinct from Dêvêndravarman, the son of Anantavarman, and that the name Guṇârṇava occurs twice in the list of the ancestors of Chôdaganga of Kalinga.

TEXT.5

First Plate.

- 1 श्री ख[स्ति] [॥*] सकलवसुमतीतलतिलकायमान[ात्*] सर्वेतसुखरमणीयादिजयव-
- 2 तङ्कलङ्गनगराबाहेन्द्राचलामलिश्खरप्रतिष्ठितस्य चराचरगरोस्रकलभुवन-
- 3 निर्माणैकसूचधारस्य भगवतो ⁷गोकण्नीसामिनसरणकमस्युगलप्रणामादि-
- 4 गलितकलिकलको गाङ्गामलकुलितलको ⁸निजनिस्तिङ्गधारीपार्ज्जितस्रकल-⁸
- 5 कलिङ्गाधिराज्य[:*] ¹⁰प्रविततचत्रकृद्धितरङ्गमेखलावनितलामलयणा(:) भ्रमेका-
- 6 इवसङ्घोभजनितजयग्रव्ह[:*] प्रतापावनतसमस्त्रसामन्तचक्रचुडामणिप्रभाम-
- 7 न्नरीपुन्तरन्नितचरण्थपरममान्नेश्वरी मातापितृपादानुध्याती नयविनय-

The vowel of the third syllable is short here, as in the majority of other instances, while it is long in line 11, in the Chicacole plates of Anantavarman's son Dêvêndravarman (*Ind. Ant.* Vol. XIII. p. 275, text line 2), in the Alamanda plates (ante, p. 18, text line 2), and in the Parlà-Kimedi plates of Vajrahasta, which will shortly be published by Professor Kielhorn (No. 31 below).

² Compare the first date of the Achyutapuram plates, ante, p. 127. In the Chicacole plates, udagajans cannot be taken in the sense of uttardyana-samkranti, because the latter cannot coincide with the eighth tithi of the bright fortnight of Magha.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 273, and Vol. XVIII. p. 146.

⁴ ibid. Vol. XVIII. p. 170 f.

⁵ From the original plates. ⁶ Expressed by

⁶ Expressed by a symbol in the original. 7 Read नीवर्ष.

⁸ Read निस्त्रिंश.

⁹ Bead ⁰तसक्ख.

¹⁰ As in another Gânga grant (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 121), the participle प्रवित्त is erroneously placed at the beginning of the compound, while the sense requires it to stand between चर्नातल and चमलयमा:, as in two other grants (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 134, and ante, p. 128).

Second Plate; First Side.

- 'श्रीर्योदार्यंसत्यत्यागसम्पदामाधारभूत[:*] 'श्रीगुणार्यनेवस्तुर्माष्टाराज[:*] श्रीमा-8 न्टेवेन्टवर्स्या
- क्रीष्टवर्त्तन्यान्तरजमटखें पोपक्किवपामे सर्वसमवेतानुदु बिनसमान्नापयस्य स्ति 9 [॥*] विदि-
- तमस्त भवतां यथासाभिरयं ग्राम[:*] सर्वकरभरै ७ परिष्कृत्वाचन्द्राक प्रतिष्ठम-10 ग्रहारिङ्क्लीदकपू-⁵
- र्वं मातापिचोराबानवं पुर्श्वाभिष्टदये माघमास्ट्रायने "ग्रचाष्टम्यां किंबङ्गा 11 नगरवास्त-
- व्येभ्यन्क्न्द्रीगसब्बद्धाचारिभ्यो क्रजाचेयसगीचेभ्य वेदवेदाङ्गपारगेभ्योच्करम्पण्रमी-12
- भवश्रमीशिवश्रमीविष्णुश्रमीसीमश्रमीजुमारश्रमींभ्यों भातृभ्य[:*] 13 विदित्वा यथी-
- चितभागभोगसुपनयन्त[:*] सुखं प्रतिवसय इति ॥*] च यामस्य सोमा-14 वधयो भवन्ति [1*] पूर्व्वस्यां

Second Plate; Second Side.

- दिश्चि विषयगर्ता गता [1*] दिश्च स्थान्दिश्चिप गर्त्तेव [1*] पिश्च[म*]-15 स्मान्टिश्चपि पीपाङ्किपर्व्यतीद-
- कं सायदक्यवितोदकञ्च यज्ञैकीभृत्वा वहित यावहिष्कदिक्या गत्ति [।*] 16 उत्तरस्यान्दिशि की-
- सम्बद्धारिणिणिणिहृद्य¹⁵ तत: कुरुड्म्बियामस्य च सीमा ¹⁶नेस्तिन्दुकृहृद्युक्त 17 पुनरपि तिन्दुक[:*]
- कुछज(र)म्बृहच्चवेणुगुल्मसन्दितष्कतम्बहच" त्रतथ्भुरुषच्छायया 18 विष-
- यगर्त्ति [॥*] भविष्यतच राज्ञ अप्रज्ञापयति [।*] धर्माक्रमविक्रमाणांमन्ध-19 19 तमयो गा रेवाप्य म-

7 Read New .

11 Read aसतेति.

12 Read अस.

² Read गुणार्णव. 1 Read श्रीयौंदार्यः

³ Read वतंत्रां सर्. The ट of टेब्ब is badly executed, but nevertheless certain.

⁵ Read ^oहारं कुली^o. ⁸ Read ⁰ रातानश्च. 4 Read [©]ज्ञापयति.

^{*} Read °चारिभ्य: and °गोतिभ्यो. 9 Read अर्मभ्यो. 10 Read संप्रत्त: । तदेवं.

¹³ Read ⁰भूय. 14 Read दिकस्था.

¹⁵ Read हची.

¹⁶ Read ततस्विन्दकः

¹⁷ Read सहित: कदम्बहर्चीत:.

¹⁸ Read दिक्खा.

¹⁹ Read OHIMINA

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2, विकासीय विवास 108त्रयन्तर्मात्त्रस्थियभ्यत्रत्तित्र्वत्त्रस्थिति। वश्यात्रित्रस्थित्रस्थित्रस्थित्रस्थितिव्यवि जिस्से माण जिस्से शिष्ण है प्रतिस्था ने साम है। जिस्से स्थाप के प्रतिस्था है। जिस्से स्थाप है। जिस्से स्थाप है A1,442,19099

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- 20 हीमनुशासिद्वरवन्दानधर्मानुपालनीयों व्यासगीतावाच श्लोका भवन्ति [।*]
- 21 दत्ता राषिश[:*] सगरादिभि[: ।*] यस्य यस्य यदा भूभिस्तस्य तस्य तस्य तस्य तस्य क्षां [॥*] स्वदत्ताम्परदत्ता-

Third Plate.

- 22 स्वा' यत्नाद्रस युधिष्ठिर [।*] महीमाहिमतां श्रेष्ठ दाना च्हेयोनुफालनं
- 23 वर्ष्यसन्द्वाणि खर्में मोदित भूमिद[: ।*] आचेशा चानुमन्ता च ता-न्येव नरके
- 24 व[स]दिच्यपूर्व्वनटवद्ग्रानं मासुचन्द्रस्य स्नुना [।*] लिखितम्पन्नवचन्द्रे-
- 25 ए शासनं स्त्रमुखान्नया [॥*] महत्तरश्वरनन्दिशमीप्रस्थान्ति [।*] प्र-
- 26 वर्षमानविजयराज्यसम्बच्छरणतं चिराणीते १०० ८० ३ श्रावणे मासि टिवे वि-
- 27 इति २० ० [1*] उत्कीर्स्व खिल्डयन्द्रभीगिकतनयेन सर्व्वचन्द्रेणिति(:) ॥

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Om. Hail! From the victorious (city of) Kalinganagara, which is the crnament of the whole earth (and) which is pleasant (on account of the simultaneous existence) of the comforts of all seasons,— the son of the glorious Gunarnava, the glorious Maharaja Dêvêndravarman,— who has become a receptacle of wisdom, modesty, bravery, magnanimity, truthfulness, liberality, and wealth; who adores the feet of (his) mother and father; who is a devout worshipper of Mahêśvara; whose feet are reddened by the dense clusters of the light of the jewels on the crests of the crowd of all vassals, prostrated by (his) valour; who has caused the cry of "victory" to resound in the turmoil of many battles; whose spotless fame is spread over the surface of the earth which is girt by the waves of the four oceans; who has acquired the sovereignty over the whole (country) of Kalinga by the edge of his own sword; who is the ornament of the spotless race of the Gangas; (and) who is freed from the stains of the Kali (age) by (his) prostrations at the pair of lotus-feet of the god Gôkarnasvâmin, who is the sole architect for the construction of the whole world, who is the lord of the animate and inanimate creation, (and) who is established on the sinless peak of the Mahêndra mountain, - addresses (the following) order to the ryots and all (other inhabitants) of the village of Poppangika in Saraümatamba, (a subdivision of the district) of Krôshtukavartani:-

(L. 9.) "Be it known to you that we have given this village,—having exempted (it) from the burden of all taxes, having converted (it) into an agrahâra which is to last as long as the moon and the sun, with libations of water, for the increase of the religious merit of (our) mother and father and of ourselves, in the month of Mâgha, during (the sun's) progress to the

¹ The group ₹ looks as if it consisted of ₹ and ₹.

³ Read वसेदिति ॥ · अपूर्वनटवंग्रीन मात्रस्य,

¹ Read इतां वा. ⁴ Read संबद्धार

⁴ Read संवतार. ⁵ Read अशीत:.

^{*} Read दिने विंशे.

north (udag-ayana), on the eighth (tithi) of the bright (fortnight),— to the brothers Achchharampasarman, Bhavasarman, Sivasarman, Vishņusarman, Sômasarman, and Kumārasarman, who reside at Kalingānagara, who are students of the Chhandôga (śākhā), who are members of the Krishnātrēya gótra, (and) who have thoroughly studied the Vêdas and Vêdāngas. Knowing this, dwell ye in peace, delivering (to the dones) the customary shares and enjoyments!"

- (L. 14.) The boundary-limits of this village are (the following):— In the eastern direction lies the trench (which marks the boundary) of the district. In the southern direction, likewise a trench. In the western direction, a trench in which the water from the Poppangika hill and the water from the Sâyadaka hill unites and runs, (and) which extends as far as the southern direction. In the northern direction, a kosamba (?) tree and a ginigini (?) tree; then, the boundary of the village of Kurudumbi; then, a tinduka tree; again, a tinduka (and) a kadamba tree, together with a crooked jambû tree and a bamboo clump; (and) then, for (a distance which equals) the shadow of a man, the district trench, which extends as far as the eastern direction.
- (L. 19.) And (the king) addresses (the following) request to future kings:—"Having obtained possession of the earth by means of right, or inheritance, or conquest, (and) ruling (it), (you) should preserve this meritorious gift; and, with reference to this (subject), there are (the following) verses composed by Vyasa:—"

[Three of the customary verses.]

- (L. 24.) (This) edict was written at the command of his (the king's) own mouth by Pallavachandra, the son of Mâtrichandra (and) a descendant of the race of Apûrvanața.
 - (L. 25.) (It was written) in the presence of the Mahattara, the Śavara 3 Nandiśarman.
- (L. 26.) (In) the year one hundred and eighty-three,— (in figures), 100 80 3,—of the prosperous and victorious reign, in the month of Śrâvaṇa, on the twentieth,—(in figures), 20 0,—(solar) day.
- (L. 27.) (This edict) was engraved by Sarvachandra, the son of Khandichandra-Bhôgika.

$$\int_{\text{No. }22.-\text{THE SIDDAPURA EDICTS OF ASOKA.}}$$

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The subjoined edition of the three enlarged versions of Aśôka's New Edicts, discovered by Mr. Lewis Rice, the indefatigable and successful explorer of the archæological treasures of Mysore, is based on inked estampages, received from Dr. Hultzsch.⁵ The earlier editions and notices of these documents, which have been used, and to which reference will be made in the sequel, are:—(1) Mr. Lewis Rice's editio princeps, published in his Report of February 1892; (2) M. Senart's edition, translation, and valuable full discussion of No. I. in the Journal Asiatique, 1892, pp. 472 ff. (Notes d'Epigraphie Indienne, No. IV.); and (3) my own short note in the Vienna Oriental Journal, Vol. VII. pp. 29 ff., in which I announced the discovery,— made with the help of a photograph kindly sent by Mr. Rice,— that the last letters of the three

¹ This description appears to presuppose the position of the sun at an angle of 45° over the horizon.

The same trench formed the boundary in the east; see line 14 f.

³ The Śavaras or Śabaras (Sauras) are the savage aborigines of the Ganjām and Vizagapatam districts. A Śabara or Śavara chief Udayana is referred to in the Udayandiram plates of Pallavamalla and in an inscription at Sirpur on the Mabanadi; see Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 293.

⁴ On the title bhôgika see Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 100, note 2.

The two accompanying Plates are prepared from a duplicate set of inked estampages. - E. H:]

inscriptions belong to the Northern or Kharôshtrî alphabet, and that the last sentence gives the name of the writer.

The inscriptions are incised on three different rocks in the neighbourhood of the village of Siddâpura, which is the head-quarters of a sub-division of the Molakâlmuru tâlukâ of the Chitaldroog district in the Mysore state. On their exact position, size, and state of preservation see Mr. Rice's Report, pp. 1-3. With respect to their palæography I would make the following additions to his remarks (op. cit. p. 3):—

- 1. The type of the letters comes nearest to those of the Girnâr version of the Rock-Edicts; where, in particular, we have the same wavy ra, and the same contrivances for expressing groups with ra, which appear in $pranesu\ drahyitavyam$ (No. I. l. 9), as well as pta, which must be read tpa. And it may be noted that, in later times too, a similar close connection is observable between the letters of the epigraphical documents from Gujarât or Kâthiâvâd, and those from the south of India. The land-grants of the Traikûṭakas, of the Gurjaras, and of the rulers of Valabhî all show characters of the Southern type.
- 2. The particular uncouth form of ma, with its abnormally large upper limbs, re-occurs in the inscriptions on the crystal prism from the Bhattiprôlu Stûpa.
- 3. The &-stroke, turned upwards, to which Mr. Rice calls attention, occurs also in the Kâlsî version of the Rock-Edicts and elsewhere. In addition, the curious &-stroke, bent downwards at the end, in natikesu (No. I. l. 11) deserves to be mentioned. I do not remember any other sign exactly like it in the old inscriptions. There are also a few other letters, resembling those in the later inscriptions, e.g. the cursive a in amisâ (No. I. l. 3), and the tu in No. I. l. 4. With respect to the e of ekam (No. I. l. 2), which consists of two strokes only, I should say that it has been left incomplete by accident, because it is the only letter of its kind. Every other e has three strokes.
- 4. The first numeral sign is indeed, as Mr. Rice states, partly different from those found in the Sahasrâm and Rûpnâth versions, and this difference furnishes further proof for the assertion that local varieties of the Southern alphabet existed in the times of Aśôka, and that hence this alphabet must have had a longer history.

Finally, I have to point out that the Northern or Kharôshtrî letters exactly agree with those of the Mansehra and Shanbazgarhi inscriptions. The peculiar colophons of each of the three inscriptions prove beyond doubt that the manuscripts of all three were written by the same scribe, Pads. Nevertheless, there are some verbal differences in the texts, as well as omissions and erroneous repetitions. The latter two kinds of mistakes occur exclusively in Nos. II. and III. and are more numerous in No. III. than in No. II. It almost looks as if Pada had written No. I. first and then had become tired of recopying the documents. The verbal differences like hevain aha (No. II. l. 3) instead of anapayati (No. I. l. 1), and savite (No. II. 1. 11) instead of sávâpite (No. I. l. 5) are just such as the clerks and copyists of modern India are very apt to introduce. The use of the two alphabets probably indicates that Pada was proud of, and wished to exhibit, his accomplishments. In fact, his winding up with lipikarena in Northern characters reminds one of a trick of schoolboys, who sometimes sign their books in Greek or other foreign characters. The use of the Northern characters may further be taken to indicate that Pada once served in Northern India, where the Kharôshṭrî alphabet prevailed; for it is even now most unusual to find professional writers who know other alphabets than those used in their native districts, while the epigraphical evidence available at present is not favourable to the assumption that the Kharôshtrî alphabet was commonly known all over India.

The language of the inscriptions offers, it would seem, a mixture of North-Eastern and Southern forms. To the dialect of Magadha belong the substitution of e for Sanskrit as (e. g. in girîte and piye), the word munisâ, and perhaps also chu. With the peculiarities of the Southern Prakrit agree the use of ra, instead of which the ancient Mâgadhî would have required la,

the word mahâtpa, and perhaps the frequent change of the dental na of suffixes to na, e. g. in devânam, mahâmâtânam, pakamaminena, sâvane. The mixing of the two dialects is probably due to the fact that the edicts were drafted in an office where a royal prince and high officials from Magadha presided over a number of subordinates who were natives of the South. The fact that Pada uses in No. I. (1. 9) sacham, and in the corresponding passage of No. II. (1. 17) śacham, in my opinion conveys the lesson that in Aśôka's times, just as now, most, if not all, Prakrit dialects possessed two sibilants, which the uneducated and the half-educated classes, to which latter the professional writers belonged and still belong, used promiscuously in the same words. The vacillation is just the same as when the inhabitants of Gujarat say in one sentence é sum kahê chhê ("what does he say?"), and in the next tamê sum kahyum ("what did you say?"). Similar instances of laxness in the use of the palatal and dental sibilants may be observed in most parts of India, and this laxness is at the bottom of the frequent interchange of the signs for the sibilants in some versions of Aśôka's Edicts, where, of course, sha and śa must both be taken to mark the palatal sibilant.

The dictionary of the Asôka inscriptions receives quite a number of additions through the second part of these inscriptions and through the sentence which serves as introduction to both. It must be noted that the introduction certainly did not come from the Imperial Secretariat at Pâțaliputra. It is just possible that the second portion, too, which as yet has not been discovered elsewhere, may have been drafted at Suvamnagiri and may furnish the Ayaputa's view of the essentials of Asôka's Dhamma. The difference in the origin would naturally account for the difference in the language.

Irrespective of the fact that the Siddapura inscriptions with their summary of the well-known Dhamma make the position of those more difficult, who contend that Asôka-Privadarsin is not the author of the New Edicts, - their great value lies therein that they prove a portion of the Dekhan table-land to have belonged to the Maurya emperor. This has been generally recognised. But I must repeat what I have already stated in the Vienna Oriental Journal, viz. that this news did not come quite unexpectedly to me. Ever since the late Dr. Bhagvânlâl found a piece of the eighth Rock-Edict near Supara in the Thana collectorate, I felt convinced that the Mauryas had held the whole of Gujarat and of the Konkan. The former province must, of course, have been conquered, if its southern continuation was subject to the ruler of Pâțaliputra. And to the conquest of the whole Konkan by the Mauryas points the fact that, in the 7th century A.D., Palikesin II. found there Maurya chieftains or kings whom he ejected or subjected. As the ancient Maurya emperors sent their sons as vicerovs into the provinces, it might easily happen that, on the overthrow of the central government, one or the other of the princes, serving in the remoter districts, managed to save something out of the wreck and continued the name of the dynasty in an out-of-the-way place. It is in this way, I think, that we have to explain the existence of Maurya rulers in the Konkan and in Rajputana during the 7th and later centuries. Finally, the occupation of portions of the Dekhan seemed probable to me partly on account of the Buddhist legend of a mission to Mahishamandala or Mysore during Aśôka's reign, and partly on account of the frequent occurrence of the family name Môrê, i.e. Maurya, among the peasants, landholders and other inhabitants of various portions of the Dekhan, which circumstance, it seems to me, must be explained in the same manner as the survival of the names Chalkê or Shelkê, i.e. Chalukya; Shendê, i.e. Sinda or Sêndraka; Sêlâr, i.e. Silahâra; and so forth. Mr. Rice's important discovery has now made all speculation unnecessary. But these points deserve mention as corroborative evidence, especially for Mr. Rice's view that Asôka had direct control over the Mysore territory. This is also suggested by some other considerations.

¹ See the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. XVIII. pp. 285 and 325; Vol. XIX. p. 75; Vol. XXI. p. 110. In the second passage it is asserted that the Mauryas once ruled in the Dekhan.

The Siddapura edicts were sent to Isila from an office, presided over by an Ayaputa and Mahâmâtas. This scheme of government corresponds exactly to that, which, as the second Separate Edict of Dhauli teaches us, was adopted in Tôsalî, where a Kumâla and Mahâmâtas ruled, to all of whom the edict is addressed. The natural inference is, therefore, that of Mr. Rice, who takes Ayaputa to be an equivalent of Kumala, while M. Senart's supposition that the Ayaputa is a local chief (op. cit. p. 494; Notes, p. 27) appears more far-fetched. And it is not difficult to show that ayaputa may be used in the sense which Mr. Rice attributes to it; for the St. Petersburg Dictionaries adduce passages in which the corresponding Sanskrit word âryaputra means 'a prince.' Moreover, in Dr. Bhagvânlâl's Kaṭak inscriptions, Nos. I. and III., the kings Khâravêla and Vakadêpa receive the epithet aira,2 i.e. ârya (aya), and in the Nasik cave-inscription No. 15,3 king Pulumayi is indicated by the word maha-airaka, i.e. mahârya. Hence airaputa or ayaputa might indeed be used for 'a king's son.' It may also be urged that, if the Ayaputa had been a mandalika or padesika, as Asôka himself calls the local chiefs, the ministers would not be mentioned as sending their orders together with his. Such a proceeding would be against all etiquette. On the other hand, the position of a prince, sent out as a viceroy, was probably not an independent one. The distrust and the jealousy of the father and sovereign no doubt surrounded him with high officials, possessing almost, if not quite, the same powers, in order to watch, and, if necessary, to check him. Finally, we also quote the circumstance that Pada, one of the writers in the Ayaputa's office, presumably had acquired his knowledge of the Kharôshtri characters while serving in Aśôka's northern possessions.

The extent of Asôka's possessions in the Dekhan cannot as yet be ascertained. But it may be considered as certain that they included more than the northern extremity of Mysore, and I believe we may venture on the guess that they extended into the Bombay presidency and that the conquest of the Dekhan had been made by governors of the Konkan, after the annexation of the latter district. In the direction of the Western Ghâts I would also look for Suvamnagiri, the head-quarters of the viceroy of the Dekhan. If it still exists, it will now go by a name like Sôngir or Sôngadh, Sôndurg, Suvarndurg, or the like.

The three versions furnish in my opinion no great assistance for finally settling the most difficult problems connected with the New Edicts. They confirm, it is true, the view of Professor Oldenberg who, years ago,4 contended that, in the Rûpnâth Edict, adhatiyâni ought to be read, instead of adhitisani, as I had done. But this is also highly probable according to a new impression of the Rûpnâth version, made over to me by Dr. Fleet, according to which I shall publish a new transcript in the Indian Antiquary.⁵ The reading adhatiyâni, as a matter of course, makes it necessary to give up the assumption that the statements of the inscription regarding the time of Asôka's conversion to Buddhism agree with those of the Buddhist tradition. The Beloved of the gods says, not that he was a lay-hearer for more than thirty years and a half, but for two years and a half. Again, -- and this is a point not yet recognised, -- he does not say that he "approached or entered the Samgha" more than a year ago, but more than six years ago. When I wrote my first articles, I had not seen that the apparent i above va is the upper part of a da, and hence read in the Sahasrâm version savinchhale, instead of sadvachhale, i.e. shadvatsaram. Moreover, misled by the imperfect facsimiles, I believed that mistakes like chha for sa were common in Asôka's Edicts. Hence, I unhesitatingly corrected in the Rûpnâth Edict the inconvenient chhavachhare, i.e. shadvatsaram, 'a period of six years,' to

¹ Actes du Sixième Congrès International des Orientalistes, Vol. III. Part ii. p. 152.

² Misread vera by Dr. Bhagvanlal, who, in objecting to a Prakrit diphthong ai, had apparently forgotten the existence of the form thaira and similar ones.

Rep. Arch. Surv. West. Ind. Vol. IV. p. 111, and p. 112, note 1.

⁴ Zeitschrift der Deutsch. Morg. Ges. Vol. XXXV. pp. 473 ff.

⁸ [Vol. XXII. pp. 299 ff.]

savachhare, 'one year.' The correct total of the period during which the Beloved of the gods declares himself to have been connected with the Buddhists, is thus about nine years. With respect to the other, equally or perhaps more important question, who the Vyûtha or Vivutha was and to what the numerals refer, the Śiddâpura inscriptions yield, as far as I can see, no positive results. I shall discuss these problems again in the Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft, and will note here only this much, that I still take the Vivutha to be the Tathâgata, and still refer the numerals to the number of years elapsed since the Nirvâṇa.

TEXTS.1

No. I.

[S]uvamnagirîte² ayaputasa mahâmâtânam cha vachan[e]na I[si]lasi mahâmâtâ ârogiyam vataviyâ hevam cha vataviyâ [||*]

First Edict.

Devânam piye ânapayati []*]

- 2 Adhikân[i] adhâtiyânî [va]sânî ya hakam no tu kho bâdham pakamte husam [1*] Ekam savachharam sâtireke tu kho sa[m]vachhar[a]m³
- 3 yam mayâ Samghe upayîte bâdham cha me pakamte [1*] Iminâ chu kâlena amisâ samânâ munisâ Jambudî pas[i]
- 4 misâ devehi [|*] [Paka]masa⁴ hi iyam phale [|*] No hîyam sakye mahâtpeneva pâpotave [|*] Kâmam tu⁵ kho khudakena pi
- 5 paka[mami]neṇa6 vipule svage sakye ârâdhetave [|*] •E[t]âyaṭhâya iyaṁ sâvaṇe sâvâpite [|*]
- 6 mahâtpâ cha imam pakame[yu] . i⁷ amtâ cha mai⁸ jâneyu chirathitîke cha iyam
- 7 pa . . . []*] Iyam cha athe vadhisiti vipulam pi cha vadhisiti avaradhiya diyadhiyam
- 8 [vadh]isit. 9 [[*] Iyam cha sâvan . sâv . p . te Vyûthena 256 [[[*]

Second Edict.

Se hevam Devânam piye

- 9 âha [|*] mâtâpitisu susûs[i]taviye¹⁰ [|*] Hemeva garut[vaṁ]¹¹ prâṇesu drahyitavyaṁ [|*] Sachaṁ
- 10 vataviyam [|*] Se ime dhammagunâ pavatitaviyâ [|*] Hemeva amterâsinâ

¹ From inked estampages, received from Dr. Hultzsch.

² The sa is mutilated on the right, but the *-stroke is distinct.

³ Possibly sarachharam, as the indentation, taken for an anusvara, is rather irregular in its outlines.

⁴ The first syllable is damaged, but not pd, as the photograph might seem to indicate.

⁵ The ta consists here of a semicircle, open below, and a vertical standing above it, in accordance with the practice prevailing in much later inscriptions.

⁸ Only the upper portions of the two ma have been preserved, and the second very imperfectly.

⁷ The yu is faintly visible on the impression. Read ti.

⁸ Read me.

⁹ The lower portions alone of radh have been preserved.

¹⁰ The impression shows faint traces of the vertical stroke of the vowel i.

n The impression shows traces of a probably angular sign which was attached to the lower right of the ta and of the anuscara. There is thus a presumption that the reading was garutram; but garutam is not absolutely excluded.

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11 12	âchariye apachâ[yi]taviye ñâtikesu cha k[u?]¹ ya[thâ]raham² pavatitaviye [l*] Esâ porânâ pakitî d[igh]âvuse cha esa hevam esa káṭiviye³
13	cha [*] Padena li[kh]it[am] lipikareṇa ⁴ [*]
	No. II.
1	[S]uvamnagirîte ⁵ ayaputasa mahâmâtâ-
2	nam [cha va]chanena I[s]ilasi mahâmâtâ ârogiyam vatavi[yâ] ⁶ [*]
3	ârogiyam vatavi[yâ] ⁶ [*]
	First Edict.
	[De]vâ . am piye hevam
4	âha [*] Adhikâni a[dh] . t . y . [. i] vasâni ya ha . [u]pâsake no tu kho bâdha [pakam]te husam [*] Ek[am]
5	samva
6	[sâ . i] . ke^7 tu kho samvachhare [yam] ghe upa[y]îte bâdham
7	[cha me pakam]te [*] Iminâ chu kâle[na] . m[i]sâ samâ . mu-
8	Jambud [m]isâ devehi [*] Pakama[sa] hi iyam phale [*] No hi-
9	ya s[ak]e n[eva] pâpo[ta]ve [l*] Kâmam tu kho khudakena
10	The state of the s
11	Se ya [i]
12	da . mahâtpâ cha imam [pa]kameyu ti amtâ cha
13	thitike cha iyam pakame $hot[n]^8$ [$[*]$
14	va[dh][[S]iti V[i]pu . am p[i] cha vadhisiti a-
15 16	
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	Second Edict.
17	
18	[i*] H . m [âcha]riye apachâyi- taviye su ¹⁰

¹ This reading is not absolutely certain. The stroke which I interpret as a s, is attached to the lower left side of the consonant. The blot taken by others for an answerar is very irregular in its outline.

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² The circle and the central dot of tha are faintly visible on the impression; compare the much plainer that in line 20 of No. II.

³ Read kataviye.

⁴ Written in Northern or Kharôshtrî characters. The apparent semicircles below the last signs are not connected with the letters, and are mere flourishes.

⁵ The first syllable is damaged, but unmistakable. The impression leaves no doubt that the lines near the top of the consonant, which have induced others to read si, are accidental.

⁶ Deceived by the double vataviya, the writer has omitted vataviya cha hevam before this word.

⁷ The signs $s\hat{a}$. i are faintly visible on the impression.

⁸ The reverse of the impression shows the w-stroke of hots, and proves that the apparent i-stroke in the same syllable is due to an accidental fissure.

The lacuna in line 16 is too small to have contained the whole text of the version of No. I. Some indistinct signs are visible before taviye.

¹⁰ This is probably the end of *zatikesu*.

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19		sâ porân tî $di[gha]vu[s.]$ cha a . te]vâsine cha
20 21	âchariye Pa	
22		. na² [*] No. III.
		First Edict.
	12 11	
		Second Edict.
	10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2	v v (?)

TRANSLATION OF No. I.

The officials in Isila must be wished good health and be addressed thus from Suvamnagiri [1]⁶ (Suvarnagiri) with the words of the Prince and the officials (residing there):—

First Edict.

"The Beloved of the gods issues (these) commands:— [2] More than two years and a half [3] (have elapsed), since I (became) a lay-hearer; but, indeed, I did not exert myself strenuously. One period of six years,— [4] but indeed more than a period of six years, (has elapsed), since I have entered [5] the community of the ascetics (and) have strenuously exerted myself; but during this time the men who were (considered) true in Jambudvîpa, (have been made to appear) false together with the gods. [6] For this is the result of exertion. For, this cannot be attained by a great man alone. But in any case, [7] indeed, even a small man, who exerts himself, can gain for himself much heavenly bliss. For this purpose this sermon

¹ Lines 19 (second half), 20, and 21 (beginning) seem to have contained needless repetitions,

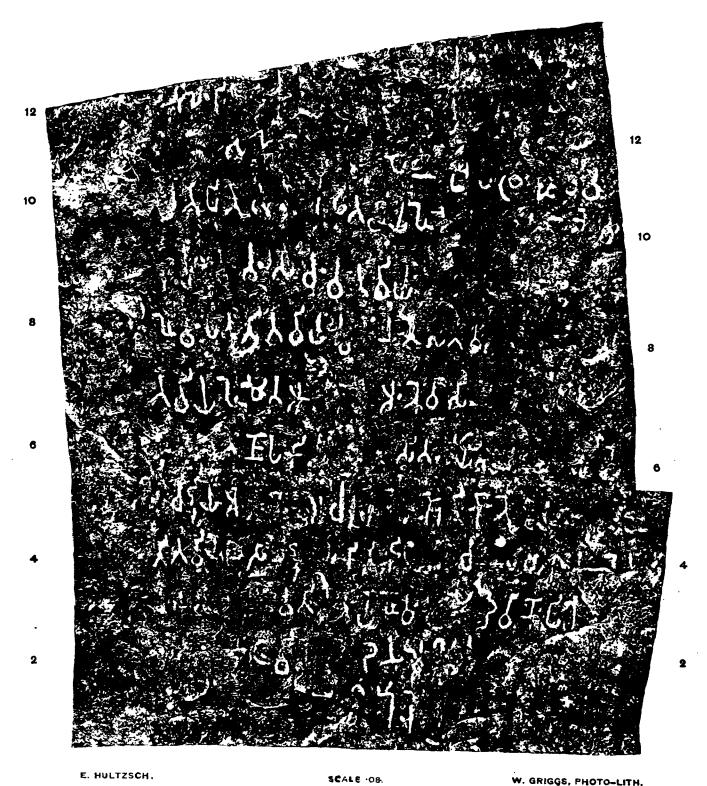
² The na is in the Northern character.

³ As far as this word, the text of the second edict seems to have been in good order. The following five lines exhibit a great confusion. The copyist seems to have repeated the same sentences twice or even three times.

[•] The de is somewhat abnormal and looks almost like a mutilated da, for which I mistook it when writing the note in the Vienna Oriental Journal, Vol. VII. pp. 29 ff. The space between ye and de looks too small for two letters, and remnants of one only are visible. It seems, therefore, probable that there was no cha after kataviye, and that the idea of reading the name Chapada, mentioned as possible in the Vienna Oriental Journal, Vol. VII. p. 32, must be given up.

This is written in Northern or Kharoshtrî letters Indistinct remnants of pi are visible to the right of ka.

[•] The figures within crotchets refer to the remarks given below.



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has been preached:—"Both small men and great men shall exert themselves to this (end),"[8] and even my neighbours [9] shall know it, and this exertion shall be of long duration. And this matter will grow, and it will even grow largely, at the least it will grow one size and a half. And this sermon has been preached by the Departed, 256 [10] (years ago)."

Second Edict.

"Even thus [11] speaks the Beloved of the gods:—Obedience should be rendered to mother and father. Moreover, the respect for living creatures should be made firm, [12] the truth should be spoken. Even these virtues prescribed by the sacred law should be practised. Moreover, the pupil should honour his teacher, and towards blood-relations one should indeed [13] behave as is due to them. This is the ancient standard (of virtuous conduct), [14] this conduces to long life, [15] and this should thus be performed."

Written by Pada the scribe.

REMARKS.

- 1. Possibly the termination te (tas) has here the sense of the locative, in accordance with the maxim of the Sanskrit grammarians, declaring the affix tasi may serve to express any case-relation. If so, the translation has to be altered slightly. In addition to the parallel passages mentioned by Mr. Rice and M. Senart, the second line of the Nasik inscription No. XI. B (Rep. Arch. Surv. West. India, p. 106) ought to be compared, where we read:— raño Gotamîputasa Sâtakanisa mahûdeviya cha jîvasutâya rajamâtuya vachanena Govadhane Sâmako droga vatavo tato eva vatavo. Regarding the meaning of ayaputa see the introductory remarks.
 - 2. The second version has: "The Beloved of the gods speaks thus."
 - 3. Adhatiya is, in Sanskrit, not ardhatritiya, as Mr. Childers asserts, but ardhatraya.
- 4. Savachhara or samvachhara would have to be translated by 'a year,' but for the variae lectiones of Sahasrâm,— sadvachhale (formerly misread savinchhale), and of Rûpnāth, chhavachhare, which both correspond to the Sanskrit shadvatsaram. Instead of sad (compare also saduvîsati, Pillar-Edicts I-VI.), sa or sam may, of course, be used, the following consonant being doubled; compare sapanâla in the Sahasrâm Edict, and â-sam-mâsike, Pillar-Edict V.
- 5. Upayîte, upayîte, or up. te, i.e. upêtah, is the reading of all the versions. Up. te is plain in the facsimile of the Rûpnâth version, where formerly I read wrongly papite. As Asôka contrasts here the period yam mayâ samghe upayîte with that when he was upâsake, 'a layworshipper,' it appears that the phrase means that he had entered the Samgha, and had become, at least nominally, a monk; compare the Sanskrit phrases yajñam, vratam, or brahmacharyam upa-i. The Sanskrit translation of the passage is: yan mayâ samgha upêtê bâḍham cha mayâ prakrântam. The prothesis of y in yîta for îta, i.e. ita, may be compared with that of v before u in vuchchati, vutta (upta), and so forth. It is common before ê in Marâthî words, e.g. yêk for êka, yêraṇḍa for êraṇḍa, etc.
- 6. I do not think it either permissible or necessary to change, as M. Senart does, the word devehi, which occurs in two versions; for the passage gives a good sense if devehi is taken as equivalent to dêvaih saha, as certainly may be done. With this explanation, the transliteration into Sanskrit would be: Étêna tu kâlênâmrishâ santô manushyâ mrishâ [kritâh] dêvaih [saha]. The general meaning is that those men who were considered to be true, i.e. true prophets and instructors, like the ascetics and Brâhmaṇas teaching the Vaishṇavas, Śaivas, and other sects, were deprived of their high position by the efforts of Aśôka and lost the confidence of the people, and that their gods fell with them. The Rûpnâth Ediet says, l. 2:— Yi imâya kâlâya Jambudipasi amisâ devâ husu te dâni masâ kaṭâ, and distinctly asserts the overthrow of the Brâhmaṇical deities. Here we have the very natural assertion that the prophets and teachers fell in the estimation of the people together with their gods. The question whether the Sahasrâm

Edict agrees with the Rûpnâth version or with that of Śiddâpura, or if it tells us something still different, as M. Senart thinks, will be discussed on another occasion. I, of course, admit that M. Senart is right in rejecting Dr. Bhagvânlâl's conjectural emendation husam te for samta, which, in 1877, I inserted in my text. I now believe that samta does not require any alteration.

- 7. Kâmam, 'in any case,' may also be translated by 'at his desire.'
- 8. The sermon which is spoken of here and at the end of this section, consists only of the six words beginning with khudakâ cha and ending with pakameyu ti, and it does not, as I thought formerly, go as far as diyaqhiyam vaqhisiti. The ti after pakameyu proves the correctness of the former statement. The use of an additional pleonastic yathâ in No. II. at the beginning of the sentence is in accordance with classical Sanskrit usage; see the examples quoted in the larger St. Petersburg Dictionary under yathâ.
- 9. The correct explanation of aintâ has first been given by M. Senart. If further proof were needed, it is furnished by the additional mai, i.e. me, of our version.
- 10. As stated already in the introductory remarks, I still believe the word Vyûtha to refer to Gautama-Buddha, and the figure to the number of years elapsed since the Nirvâna. But I now admit that Vyûtha-Vivutha may be derived from vivas, and I take it as representative of Vyushta. The verb vivas occurs indeed not rarely in the sense of 'to elapse, to pass away;' see, e.g., Gôbhila's Grihyasûtra, ii. 8,— jananâd daśarátrê vyushtê, which Professor Oldenberg renders correctly: "When ten nights have elapsed after (the child's) birth;" and Pañchatantra, ii. p. 25, 1. 11 (Bombay S. Ser.),—anêna vârttâvyatikarêna rajanî vyushtâ.
 - 11. The correct beginning of the second edict has been first recognized by M. Senart.
- 12. Garutva, which (if the correct reading) is analogous to the form tadatva (Rock-Edicts, Kâlsî, X.), can of course be used like gaurava¹ in the sense of 'respect for.' Drahyitavyam is the future passive participle formed from the stem of the present drahyati, which corresponds to the Sanskrit drihyati. It may be noted that the Pâli dictionary does not give any representative of the Sanskrit verb drih, though the participle dalha and its derivatives show that one must have existed.
- 13. If the reading ku is the correct one, the word must be taken as a representative of khu or kho; compare the Shahbazgarhi version of the Rock-Edicts, IV. 9, etc.
- 14. Pakitî has here either the meaning of svarûpa or of yôni, which the Sanskrit prakriti has so often. Dharmasya or dchârasya must be understood.
- 15. Compare Manu, ii. 121:— Abhivádanasílasya nityam vriddhôpasêvinah | chatvári tasya vardhanta áyur vidyá yasó balam || and the parallel passages quoted in the Synopsis to my Translation.

No. 23.— UDAYENDIRAM PLATES OF NANDIVARMAN.

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This inscription has been previously published, with a photo-lithograph, by the Rev. T. Foulkes, in the *Indian Antiquary*, Vol. VIII. pp. 167 ff., and in the *Manual of the Salem District*, Vol. II. pp. 349 ff. I re-edit it from an excellent impression received from Dr. Hultzsch, to whom the original plates, which are at Udayêndiram in the Gudiyâtam tâlukâ of the North Arcot district, were lent by the Acting Collector of the district, Mr. F. A. Nicholson, I.C.S.

The inscription is on three copper-plates, each of which measures $8\frac{3}{4}$ long by $2\frac{5}{8}$ high. The first and second plates are inscribed on both sides, and the third is inscribed on one side

¹ See the passages quoted in the two St. Petersburg Dictionaries.

only; the writing on the first side of the first plate, however, does not form part of the body of the inscription (which is in Sanskrit), but is an endorsement in Tamil. The plates are held together by a ring, 3" in diameter and about 3" thick, which is now cut. It holds a circular seal, $2\frac{1}{8}$ in diameter, which contains in bas-relief a standing bull, facing the proper left, and a much worn and illegible inscription round the margin. The engraving is good, and the writing is well preserved.— Of the inscription proper (on plates i.b, ii. and iii.a) the size of the letters is between $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{8}$. The characters belong to the southern class of alphabets. They closely resemble the characters of what the late Dr. Burnell has termed the Eastern Châlukva alphabet of about A.D. 680 (Elements of South-Indian Palæography, second edition, Plate v.), and differ 1 therefore decidedly from those of the Uruvupalli grant of the Pallava dynasty (Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 51, Plate), with which the present inscription otherwise has much in common. The language is Sanskrit, and, excepting two imprecatory verses in lines 17 and 18, the whole is in prose.— The text has been drawn up most carelessly, as may be seen from the omission of single syllables and whole words, as well as from the repeated occurrence of groups of aksharas that are devoid of meaning. In respect of orthography also, the inscription is full of faults, some of which may be accounted for by the influence of the writer's vernacular. Thus, the sign of visarga is throughout omitted; and similarly the sign of anusvara or of the final m is omitted everywhere except in the word $Pallar[\hat{a}^*]n\hat{a}\hat{n}$, in line 10. We have a instead of final ô in prapautra, 1. 2, pautra, 1. 4, -dikshita, 1. 8; and instead of final ê in -râshtira, 1. 11. The palatal sibilant is used six times for the dental sibilant, and the dental five times for the palatal. Unaspirated letters are employed instead of aspirates in Vaśaka (for Vaiśakha), 1. 19. lavda (for labdha), 1. 8, and bakti (for bhakti), 1. 6; and sonant consonants instead of surd ones in bhattaragô (for bhattaraka), l. 9, and Daitriya (for Taittiriya), l. 12. Besides, we find ch for s in Kulacharmmane, l. 13; tth for ddh in attharana (for addharana), l. 9; dh for d in -âdhi-prâdhânai (for -âdi-pradânaih), l. 5; and for ddh in sidhi, l. 3, and sannadhô, l. 9; b for v in brata, 1. 7; and v for p in uvanata, 1. 3; and for b in vala, lines 1 and 14, lavda, 1. 8, and vappa, 1.9. In lines 17 and 18 a final m has been five times left unchanged before a consonant, where it should have been changed to anusvara; and m is irregularly doubled in the body of a word in avagam mya, 2 l. 14, and at the end of a word before a following vowel in osvásanamm= ati^o (for ochchhásanam=ati^o) and śárîran:m=aruha^o (for śárîram=arha^o), in 1.16. Instead of the conjunct $j\bar{n}$ we have $\bar{n}y^3$ in $r\hat{a}\bar{n}ya$ (for $r\hat{a}j\bar{n}\hat{a}$ and $r\hat{a}j\bar{n}ah$), in lines 1 and 2; and, to facilitate the pronunciation, a vowel has been inserted or y vocalised in a conjunct in rashtira (for rashtré) 1. 11. aruhati (for arhati), 1. 16, salôkû (for ślôkû), 1. 16, -mariyûdasya, mariyûdeyû, mariyûdayû (for -maryadasya and maryadaya), lines 2, 11, and 13, and aisvariya (for aisvarya), 1, 14. The vowel ri is represented by the syllable ir in virdha (for vriddha), twice in 1. 4, pravirdha (for pravriddha), l. 5, and bhavirdhaé (for abhivriddhayê), l. 14; and, on the other hand, ri is employed instead of iri in Daitriya (for Taittiriya), l. 12. Lastly, the short vowel e, which is unknown to Sanskrit, but common in Tamil, is improperly used, partly through the influence of a following y, in maryadeya (for maryadaya), l. 11, vijeya and vejeya (for vijaya), in lines 8, 14, and 19, and veneya (for vinaya), l. 4. In addition to these errors the text contains others which need not be enumerated here. The size of the letters of the endorsement on the first side of the first plate is between $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$; the characters are Tamil and Grantha; and the language is Tamil.

This difference is shown especially, e.g., by the forms of the initial a and of the consonants k, t, n, and r.—
I may state here that in the present inscription it is often quite impossible to distinguish between the superscript and t, and that, accordingly, in my transcript of the text, I have put i and t, where either of the two was required.

² Here the doubling of m might be justified by Panini, viii. 4, 47.

s It is clear that $j\tilde{n}$ was so pronounced by the writer.

A Satri for satra (sattra) in 1. 7 is probably due only to an error of the engraver.

The inscription professes to be one of the devout worshipper of Bhagavat (Vishnu), the law-abiding Mahârâja of the Pallavas, the illustrious Nandivarman (l. 10), a member of the Bhâradvâja gôtra, who is described as the son of the Mahârâja Skandavarman (l. 6), the son's son of the Mahârâja Simhavarman (l. 4), and the great-grandson of the Râjâ Skandavarman 1 (l. 2). It informs us (in ll. 11-14) that, from the victorious Kâñchipura (l. 1), Nandivarman gave the village of Kâñchivâyil and four pieces of forest-land, situated in the district (râshtra) of Adêyâra, to a Brâhmana inhabitant of Kâñchivâyil, named Kulaŝarman, who belonged to the Kauŝika gôtra and to the Vêdic school of the Taittiriyas, and whose sâtra was the Pravachana. The inscription further (in ll. 15-18) contains an admonition not to levy taxes on the land so granted, threatens with corporal punishment those who should transgress the king's commands, and cites two of the ordinary imprecatory verses; and it closes (in l. 19) with the statement that this document (paṭṭikâ) was issued on the flith (lunar day) of the bright half of Vaiŝâkha, in the first year of the victorious reign (apparently of Nandivarman).

The Tamil endorsement on plate i.a runs thus:—"In the twenty-sixth year (of the reign) of Madirai-koṇḍa Kô-Parakêsarivarman,3— we, (the members of) the assembly of Kāūchivâyil, alias Igaṇmaraimaṅgalam, and we, (the members of) the assembly of Udayachandramaṅgalam, (have agreed as follows):— We, (the inhabitants of) these two villages, having joined (and) having become one, shall prosper as one village from this (date)."

Without the endorsement, this inscription is very similar to the Uruvupalli grant of the Pallava Yuvamahârâja Vishnugôpavarman, published by Dr. Fleet in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. Indeed, but for the circumstance that our grant was issued (not from Palakkada, but) from Kanchipura, and that the rulers mentioned in it are Skandavarman, Simhavarman, Skandavarman, and Nandivarman (instead of Skandavarman, Viravarman, Skandavarman, and Vishnugôpavarman), lines 1-10 of it read much like a mutilated copy of lines 1-16 of the Uruvupalli grant; and in a similar, though perhaps less striking manner,4 lines 15-18 of Nandivarman's grant may be said to resemble lines 28-32 of the grant of Vishnugôpavarman. This fact has not escaped the Rev. T. Foulkes, and the conclusion which he has felt inclined to draw from it, apparently is, that both grants were issued by the same prince, and that, accordingly, the Vîravarman and Vishnugôpavarman 5 of the one grant are identical with the Simhavarman and Nandivarman of the other. I myself am of opinion that the present inscription must. on palæographical grounds, be assigned to a later period than the Uruvupalli granf; and, considering it suspicious that, at different periods, there should have been two Pallava princes whose fathers and great-grandfathers were called Skandavarman, and that, moreover, two sets of four consecutive princes should have been described in almost identical terms, and taking also into account the extreme slovenliness of the wording of Nandivarman's grant, I cannot suppress the belief that this grant may be a spurious document,6 the writer of which took for his model either the Uruvupalli grant of Vishnugôpavarman itself or some other inscription of the same prince.

The Tamil endorsement of this inscription is practically identical with the endorsement at the end of the grant of Nandivarman Pallavamalla, published by the Rev. T. Foulkes in the Indian

¹ For a translation of the various epithets applied to these kings, which for the historian are quite worthless, see Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 52.

² The expression Prava chana-sútra occurs seven times in the description of the donees in the grant of Naudivarman Pallavamalla (Ind. Ant. Vol. VIII. pp. 276 and 277). I do not know what particular sútra is referred to by it.

³ See South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 112.

⁴ Compare also lines 29-35 of the grant of Simhavarman in Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 156.

⁵ Or the Simhavarman, during whose reign the grant of Vishnugopavarman was issued.

⁶ Compare also Dr. Fleet's remarks in Ind. Ant. Vol. IX. p. 101, and Vol. XV. p. 274.

Antiquary, Vol. VIII. p. 273 ff. Dr. Hultzsch thinks that this grant and its endorsement, the characters of both of which are modern, were copied from a lost, but genuine original. The original of the grant of Nandivarman Pallavamalla must now be assigned to about the first half of the 8th century A.D. As pointed out to me by Dr. Hultzsch, the lost original of the Tamil endorsement of the grant of Pallavamalla must belong to the time of the Chôla king Parântaka I., and presupposes the original of the grant of Pallavamalla, because it refers to the village of Udayachandramangalam, which was only founded by that grant. Probably both endorsements which we possess now, were copied at different times from the endorsement on the lost original of the grant of Nandivarman Pallavamalla. To judge from the alphabets employed, the endorsement of the subjoined grant may actually belong to the time of Parântaka I., while the existing copy of the Pallavamalla grant and of its endorsement has to be assigned when the stable more recent period.

As regards the localities which, in addition to Kānchipura, are mentioned in this inscription, Mr. Foulkes has already stated that the village of Kānchivāyil, under its Sanskrit name of Kānchidvāra, is mentioned in line 72 of the grant of Pallavamalla, and that the same grant, in the word Aśrayanadi-vishaya in line 62, contains the Sanskrit equivalent of the term Adêyâra-rāshṭra of the present inscription. The village of Udayachandramangalam is probably identical with the modern Udayêndiram, which in another inscription is called Udayêndumangala. 5

TEXT.6

First Plate; Second Side.

- 1 Svasti [||*] Jita[m*] bhagavatâ râñya [||*] Śrî-vijaya-Kâñchî purât=parama-brahmanyasya sva-bâhu-va(ba)l-â-
- 2 rjjin(t)-ôrjjita ⁸ vidhi-vihita-sarvva-mariyâdasya ⁹ râñya śr**î-Skandavarmmaṇa[ḥ*]** prapautra ¹⁰ abhyarchchi-
- 3 ta-śakti-sidhi(ddhi)-sampannasya pratâp-ôva(pa)nata-râjamaṇḍalasya vaśu(su)dhâtal-aikavîra-11
- 4 sya mâ(ma)hârâja-śrî-Siṅghavarmmaṇa 12 pautra dêva-dvija-guru-virdh-âpachâyinô 13 virdha-ve-
- 5 neyasya ¹⁴saugô-hiraṇya-bhûmy-âdhi-prâdhânai ¹⁵ pravirdha-dharmma-sañchayasya prajâ-

See South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. pp. 11 and 145.

² See ibid. p. 112. See also Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 66 f.

⁴ Adêyâra is either a mistake for, or an attempt to Sanskritise, Adaiyâru, 'the river of refuge,' which occurs in another Udayêndiram grant; Salem Manual, Vol. II. p. 371, plate vi. a, text line 2 f.

⁵ See ante, p. 75.

⁶ From an impression received from Dr. Hultzsch.

⁷ This is the actual reading of the original. It is most probably intended for rajūā, but this word is meaningless and superfluous here.

⁸ Here one or more words have been omitted. Dr. Fleet's Uruvupalli grant (Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 51) has -ôrjita-kshâtra-tapônidhêh; the same reading we have in Dr. Hultzsch's fragment, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 398; and similar expressions occur elsewhere.

⁹ Read -maryádasya rájūah.

¹⁰ Read °trô=bhya°.

n Originally vasudhâlaivikara was engraved; but the aksharas to and ku are added below the line, and the ka between vi and ra is struck out.

¹³ Read -Simhavarmmanah pautro.

u Read -vriddh-ôpacháyinó vriddha-vinahasya.

¹⁴ The akshara saw before go is quite meaningless; what one would have expected, is antho-go.

B Read -adi-praddnaih pracriddha-.

Second Plate; First Side.

- 6 pâlana-dakshasya saty-âtmanô ¹mahârâja-śrî-Skandavarmmaṇa[ḥ*] putrô bhagavata-ba[k]ti-samp[â]-³
- 7 dita-sarvva-kaly[â*]na[ḥ*] prajâ-samrañjana-paripâlan-ônyayêpagata-satata-satribrata-³
- 8 dîkshita naika-samara-sâhas-âvamardda-lavda-vijeyâ-prakâsana 4 kaliyuga-dô-
- 9 sh-âvaśak-dharmm-âttharaṇa-⁵nitya-sannadhô(ddhô) bhagavaka-pânudhyatô ⁶ vappa-bhaṭṭâragô-pâda-bha-
- 10 kta[ḥ*] parama-bhâgavatô Bhâradvâja-sagôtra[ḥ*] Pallav[â*]nâm dharmma-[ma*]hârâja[ḥ*] śrî-Nandivarm[mâ?]

Second Plate; Second Side.

- ll ņa ⁷ Adēyāra-rāshṭira Kāñchivāl-grāma āraṇya-kshētra-chatushṭayañ=cha pūrvōpabhukta-mariy[â]-
- 12 deyâ ⁸ Kâñchivâyil-v[â*]stavyâya brahmâṇa ⁹ Kausi(śi)ka-sagôtr[â*]ya Daitṛiya-charaṇaya ¹⁰ sûtrata
- 13 Pravachanâya Kuļacha(śa)rmmaṇê brahmadê-mariyâdayâ 11 sarvva-parihâr-ôpata 12 dêva-bhô-
- 14 ga-hala-¹³varjjam=asmad-âyu-vala-vejeya-aisvariya-bhavirdhaê ¹⁴ dattavâ[n ||*] Tad= avagammya ¹⁵ sa-
- 15 rvva-parih
[â*]rai[h*] K[â*]ñchivâyil-grâma[m]=âraṇya-kshêtra-chatushṭayaũ=cha parihârai
 16 pahârata [|*] Yô=17

Third Plate; First Side.

- 16 smasvâsanamm=atikrâmê śa pâpa śârîramm=aruhaty=âpi chatra brahma-gîtâ[h*] salôkâ 18 bhavanti [|*]
- 17 19Bhûmi-dânam=param(m)=dânam(m)=na bhûtam(m)=na bhati(vi)shyati [|*] sêva 20 haranât=sapân=na bhûtam(m)=na bhavishyati [||*]

¹ The akshara ja is engraved below the line. ² Read bhagavad-bhakti-sampā.

I believe the intended reading to be -paripálan-ôdyôga-satata-sattra-vrata-dikshitô; compare the Uruvupalli grant, line 10.

⁴ Read -labdha-vijaya-yasah-prakasah; see ibid. line 11.

⁵ Read -árasanna-dharm-óddharana-; see ibid. line 12.

⁶ Read bhagavat-pádánudhyátó bappa-bhattaraka-páda-.

⁷ This akshara looks as if it had been struck out. Perhaps carmmana may have been originally engraved, and this may have been altered to carmma. Read carmm=Adeyara-rashtre Kanchivayil-gramam=.

⁸ Read -maryâdayâ.
9 Read brâhmanâya.

¹⁰ Read Taittiriya-charanaya Pravachana-sútraya. The word sútrata of the original is evidently intended for sútratah.

¹¹ Read brahmadêya-maryádayá. 12 Read -ôpêtam; compare Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 156, line 25.

¹³ The akshara la of hala is engraved below the line.

¹⁴ Read asmad-áyur-bala-vijay-aiśvary-ábhivṛiddhayê. As the donor is spoken of in the third person, one would have expected sv-áyur- instead of asmad-áyur-.

¹⁵ Read °gamya.

¹⁵ What was intended, is probably pariharata parihárayata cha; compare Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 156, line 30; and p. 52, line 29.

¹⁷ Read Yo=smach-chhásonam=atikrámét=sa pápah sártram dandam=arhati | Api ch=átra; compare ibid. p. 52, line 30; p. 137, line 4; and p. 156, line 30.

¹⁵ Read álóká.

¹⁹ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the next verse.— Read -dânât=param.

²⁰ Read tasy=aiva haranát=pápam.

18	Śva-dattam=para-dattam=va¹	harêti	vasunvarâ	[]*]	sata-sahasrasya	hantn[h*]
	pivati kilvisha[m=i]-					

19 tî [||*] Pravardhamâna-vejeya-râjya-pratasatsarê ² Vaśâka-mâsê śukuksh[ê] pañchamyâ[m*] datt[â*] paṭṭikâ [||*]

Endorsement: First Plate: First Side.3

1	Madirai-k	co[n]da Kô-	Pparakêśaripa	nmar[kku]	yâṇḍ=iruba	ttârâva-
2	$[d\mathbf{u}]$	K âñchivâyi	l âgiya	Iganmarain	nangalattu	sa-
3	bhaiyômu	m	U[d]aiyasandi	ramaṅgalattu	•	sabhai-
4	yômum	[*]	.ivv-iraṇḍ=urô:	muń=gûḍi⁴	onr=âyir	amaiyil
5	idan	mer=pattadu	ôr-ur=ây ⁵	vâlvôm:	=â [ŋô]m	[*]

No. 24.— UNAMANJERI PLATES OF ACHYUTARAYA;

SAKA-SAMVAT 1462.

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These plates were found by Mr. M. Aiyâsvâmi Aiyar, Inspecting Schoolmaster of the Chingleput tâlukâ, in the possession of the Munsif of the village of Ûnamânjêri, four miles east of the Vandalûr Railway Station. At Dr. Hultzsch's request, they were lent to him by the Tahsildar of Chingleput; and I now edit the inscription from two excellent impressions, supplied to me by Dr. Hultzsch.

These are five copper-plates, the first and last of which have been engraved on the inner side only, while the others are so on both faces. They are numbered, on the first inscribed side of each plate, with the Telugu-Kanarese numerals from 1 to 5, as may be seen from the accompanying photo-lithograph. Each plate is between $7\frac{5}{16}$ and $7\frac{3}{4}$ broad, and, including the arch at the top, about $10\frac{3}{8}$ high; and the writing runs across the breadth of the plates. The plates are held together by a ring, which had been cut before they were received by Dr. Hultzsch. It is about 3k " in diameter and k" thick, and holds a seal, the lower part of which consists of a smaller ring, through which the larger ring is passed. This seal is $l_8^{3''}$ in diameter. It bears, on a plain pedestal, the figure of a boar, which faces the proper right and is surmounted by a sword or dagger and by the moon and the sun. On the proper left side of the back of the fourth plate the writing has suffered slightly from corrosion; otherwise the plates are in a perfect state of preservation. The writer and engraver have done their work fairly well; but they have omitted ten aksharas (which we can supply from other inscriptions) at the end of line 23, and sixteen others (which we cannot supply) in lines 149-150, not to mention minor errors.— The characters are Nandinâgarî, excepting the word śrî-Virupâksha in line 199, which is in large Kanarese characters. The inscription offers the rare sign for jh, in the word pîtôjhitas (for pîtôjhitas) in line 77; and it has a sign for the rough r, which is like the ordinary sign for r combined with the superscript sign for the same letter, in the words muru, 1. 82, Semkalanirpattu, 1. 99, and $U_{ruv\hat{a}r}$, 1. 148. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{3}{16}$ ".—The language is Sanskrit, and, excepting the words śri-Ganādhipatayé namah at the commencement of line l, the whole is in verse.

¹ Read Sva-dattam=para-dattam va yo harêta vasundharam | gavam sata-,

² Read -rijaya-râjya-prathama-samvatsarê Vaisâkha-mâsê sukla-pakshê.

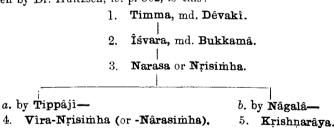
³ The text and translation of this endorsement have been supplied by Dr. Hultzsch.

⁴ Read ûrômun. 5 Read ûr.

The orthography calls for few remarks. The palatal sibilant is five times employed for the dental (e.g. in babhāśē, 1.19), and once (in tithiśv=, 1.63) for the lingual; and the dental sibilant twice for the palatal (in amburasi, l. 47, and visva, l. 117), and once (in nisphalam, l. 193) for the lingual. The sign of visarga is nine times wrongly omitted, mostly before the word śri. And b is three times used instead of bh, in tapôbir and buja, l. 7, and mahîbujân, l. 12. Besides we need only notice here that the word Panktiratha (= Dasaratha) is spelt Pantiratha, in 1. 24, and tâmra tâmmra, in lines 188 and 190.— Of Sanskrit words which either are not given by the dictionaries, or have as yet been met with only in lexicographical works, our text only offers kâpâlikâ, 'a cloud (of dust),' l. 48, Pûshaja, 'the son of the Sun,' i.e. Karna, and amhati, 'a gift,' the two last in the biruda Pûshaja-darpa-hrid-amhati-saumda, 'fond of bestowing gifts which take away the pride of Karna,' in line 81. Like other inscriptions of the same dynasty, this one also contains the Kanarese birudas Bhâshege-tappura-râyara-gamdah, 'the disgracer of those kings who break their word,' in l. 80, and Müru-rayara-gamdah, 'the disgracer of the three kings (of the South),' in 1. 82; and it similarly employs the biruda Himduraya-suratranah, 'the Sultan among Hindû kings,' in 1.84, and has several times the Kanarese words râya and mahûrâya for rajan and maharaja. In l. 184 we also have rayasa, 'a secretary,' and in l. 194 (only by a mistake of the writer) varusha; and several terms and names which are not Sanskrit occur in the description of the village in lines 97-99, and in the list of the donees which commences in line 120.

The inscription is one of the king Achyutêndra, or Achyutarâya, or Achyutêndramahârâya of Vijayanagara. It clearly divides itself into two parts. The first part, up to 1.91. gives in thirty-eight verses a eulogistic account of Achyutendra and some of his predecessors, and the second part, from 1. 91, records the grant of a village, made by the king in Saka-Samvat 1462.

Of the thirty-eight verses with which the inscription opens, twenty-two (viz. the verses 1, 3-13, and 15-24) occur (as verses 1-6, 9-23, and 29) in the Hampe inscription of Achyutêndra's immediate predecessor Krishnarâya, edited and translated by Dr. Hultzsch in the Epigraphia Indica, Vol. I. p. 361 ff. And, omitting mythical beings, the genealogy furnished by these verses, as given by Dr. Hultzsch, ib. p. 362, is this:—



Beyond what appears from this tabular statement, the verses referred to contain hardly any historical information whatever.2

Verse 143 of the present inscription records that the king Nrisimha (Narasa) from a third wife, Ôbâmbikâ-dêvî, had one more son, named Achyutêndra; and verse 25 states that this prince, the younger brother of Krishnaraya, on the death of that king, succeeded him.4 The seven verses (26-32) which follow—some of them imitations of preceding verses—eulogize

² See Dr. Hultzsch's remarks, ib. p. 362. ¹ See, e.g., Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 363.

Werse 2, which is not in the Hampe inscription, invokes the protection of the god Hari (Vishnu). It is found also in other Vijayanagara inscriptions.

⁴ The latest date for Krishnaraya, known to me from published inscriptions, corresponds to Friday, 23rd April, A.D. 1529, and the earliest date for Achyutaraya to Monday, 15th August, A.D. 1530; see Ep. Ind. Vol. 1. p. 399, and Ind. Ant. Vol. IV. p. 329.

Achyutêndra in the ordinary conventional manner. Verses 33-37 give a string of birudas of his which are not new to us, and record (as the Hampe inscription does of Krishnarâya) that he was waited upon by the kings of Anga, Vanga, and Kalinga. And this part of the inscription ends with another verse in praise of Achyutêndra, which is merely an imitation of verse 24 of this same inscription.

According to verses 39-53 (in lines 91-115) the Mahārāya Achyutêndra, being on the bank of the river Tungabhadrā, on the 12th lunar day of the bright half of Kārttika— the day when the god Vishņu rises from his sleep— of the year 1462 of the era of Sālivāha, which was the (Jovian) year Sārvarī, in the presence of the god Viṭṭhalêśvara,² and surrounded by many holy men, granted the village of Uhinai, which (apparently in consequence of this grant) was also called Achyutêndramahārāyapura, to a number of Brāhmanas learned in the Vêdas and famous for their knowledge of the Sāstras; the king having been requested to do so by his trusted minister,³ the chief of the Nāyakas Virūpāksha, who was born in the family of Ananta and is described as the moon of the sea of the [Â]diyappêndra Nāyakas.⁴ The village of Uhinai, thus granted by Achyutêndra (in terms which are common to the copper-plate grants of the Vijayanagara kings), was situated in the Śeṅkaļanìṛpaṭṭu sīmā of the Kumuļi nādu of the Raṇḍāyira-mahāvēh paṭṭu of the Âmūru kôṭa of the Paḍavìḍu mahārājya of the Jayaṅkoṇḍa-Chôṭa maṇḍala; and lay to the east of the village of Ayyanchêri, to the south of the village of Kuṭappāka, to the west of the villages of Nallampāka and Vēṅkampāka, and to the north of the village of Aruṅkâl.

The date, given in the preceding paragraph, does not admit of verification; but the fact that it fell in the Jovian year Śarvarî shows the year to have been Śaka-Samvat 1462 expired, and for this year the 12th of the bright half of Karttika would correspond to the 12th October, A.D. 1540.

As regards the localities, Uhinai, according to Dr. Hultzsch, must be the former name of the very Ûṇamâŋeri where the plates were found; for by the Chingleput Taluk Map this village lies to the east of Ayyaŋeri, to the south of Kolappakkam, to the north-west of Nallampakkam, and to the north of Aringal, four of the very places which, under slightly different names, are mentioned in this inscription in the same (or almost exactly the same) positions with reference to Uhinai. Śeṅkalanirpaṭṭu, the name of the simā to which Uhinai belonged, appears, also according to Dr. Hultzsch, to be an older form of Śeṅgalpaṭṭu⁵ (Chingleput); and Kumuli, from which the nāḍu was called, is the modern Kumili, 6 in the Chingleput tâlukâ, south of Aringal. Raṇḍâyira-mahâvêli, the name of the paṭṭu, Dr. Hultzsch informs me, would mean 'the two thousand great vêlis,' vēli being a measure of land. The Âmūru kôṭa Dr. Hultzsch considers to have been named after Âmūr or Âmbūr, a town in the Velūr tâlukâ of the North Arcot district; and the Paḍaviḍu mahârājya, according to the same scholar, was called after a town now named Paḍavēḍu in the Polūr tâlukâ of the same district. The Jayaṅkoṇḍa-Chôṭa manḍala is frequently mentioned in Vol. I. of Dr. Hultzsch's South-Indian Inscriptions.

¹ Compare Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 365, verses 25-28.

² This beautifully sculptured temple (No. 4 on the *Madras Survey Map of Hampe*) is still in tolerably good preservation. It contains inscriptions of Krishnarâya and Sadâśiva; see Dr. Hultzsch's *Progress Report* for December 1888 and January 1889.

³ The term in the original (l. 108) is srâmi-kârya-dhurina, 'able to bear the burden of the business of his naster.'

On the officials, so named, compare Dr. Hultzsch in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 127.

⁵ Śeńkalanîrpatţu, according to Dr. Hultzsch, is an incorrect spelling of Seṅgalunîr-patţu, 'the town of the red lotus,' while Sengal-pattu apparently means 'the town of bricks.'

⁶ Kumili-nadu (in Amûr-kôttam in Jayankonda-Chôla-mandalam) occurs also in a Tirukkalukkungam inscription of Kulôttunga I.; Ind. 1nt. Vol. XXI. p. 284.

Fee South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. 1. p. 126. 5 ib. p. 83, and ante, p. 36, note 6,

To proceed with our analysis of the inscription, the village of Uhinai (or rather the income from it), according to verse 54 (ll. 115-117), was divided into 60 vrittis, or shares.\(^1\) Of these, one vritti and a quarter were set aside for the benefit of the god Raghunâtha (Vishnu); and the same amount was reserved for the worship of the god Chandiśvara (Śiva; vv. 55 and 56).\(^2\) The bulk was distributed, in amounts ranging from a quarter of a vritti to five vrittis, among forty-eight Brâhmanas who are named in the verses 57-104 (ll. 120-179). Each of these verses \(^3\) gives, in addition to the exact amount allotted to each person, also the name of the father of the recipient, and specifies the gôtra or anvaya of the latter, and the Vêdic texts studied by him. The names of the donees and their fathers' names which occur in vv. 57-104, arranged in alphabetical order, are the following:—

Achchân, v. 75; Anna, v. 96, or Annan, v. 83; Anantabhatta, v. 76; Anantaya, vv. 86, 97; Appan, v. 82; Appaya, vv. 85, 98; Ammaya, v. 103; Allâlabhatta, v. 79; Âchchân, v. 87; Ânaikkuta, v. 79; Kâchanâdhvarin, v. 57; Kâchambhatta, v. 61; Kâmâbhatta, vv. 90, 95; Kâlahastin, v. 99; Kâlahastibhatta, vv. 70, 101; Kuppaya, v. 89; Kondapa, v. 94; Kondaya, vv. 91. 101; Gangâdharabhatta, v. 60; Gautam[a]bhatta, v. 64; Chautikanti-Râmârya, v. 69; Chaundibhatta, vv. 70, 71; Timmaya, vv. 88, 91, 103; Timmâjyôtishika, vv. 58, 102; Timmâbhatta, vv. 62, 72; Timmâvadhânin, vv. 59, 61; Tiruvênkam-Udaſi]yâr, vv. 84, 98; Durgâbhatta, v. 57; Dêvarêbhatta, v. 65; Dharmaya, v. 82; Nadabhârata-Nâgârva, v. 92; Navinâr, vv. 78, 84, 89, 97; Nâgappa, v. 95; Nâgâbhatta, vv. 67, 68; Nârâyana, vv. 80, 93: Nârâyanârya, v. 86; Padmaya, v. 100; Per[i]ya-Perumâl, v. 75; Paunaya, v. 90; Basayabhatta, v. 63; Bhûtanatha-śrî-Chittibhatta, v. 74; Bhairayabhatta, v. 59; Mandala. v. 88: Mandala-śri-Purusha, vv. 80, 93; Mallavadhânin, v. 73; Mallubhatta, vv. 65, 99; Râghayabhatta, v. 66; Râma, vv. 77, 81; Râmaya, v. 94; Râmâbhatta, v. 74; Lakshmanabhatta, v. 64; Laddagiri-Timma, v. 72; Lingaya, v. 92; Lingabhatta, vv. 67, 71, 100; Varadaya, v. 87; Varadâbhatta, v. 69; Vitthalabhatta, v. 66; Virûpâkshabhatta, v. 63; Vîrarâghava, v. 62; Vênkadatt-Appa, v. 81; Vênkadatt-Uruvâr-ârya, v. 77; Sinniyappa, v. 83; Śellappa, v. 96; Śridharabhatta, v. 73; Sabhâpati-kavîndra, v. 104; Sômavâra-śri-Gurvaya, v. 60; Sômâśi. v. 85; and Svayambhunatha, v. 104.

The gôtras or, as they are here commonly called, anvayas of the donees were those of Kâśyapa, vv. 57, 60, 75; Kauśika, vv. 82, 83, 85, 88; Gautama, v. 74; Bhâradvâja, vv. 59, 61, 62, 65, 69, 76, 79-81, 84, 86, 87, 89-94, 96, 98, 99; Maudgalya, v. 63; Maunabhârgava, vv. 58, 102; Vatsa, vv. 66, 97; Vasishṭha, v. 72; Viśvâmitra, vv. 64, 67, 68, 70, 71, 95; Samkṛiti, v. 77; Sâvarṇa, v. 104; and Harita, vv. 73, 100, 101, 103.

Twenty-one donees were students of the Rigvêda (bahvricha), eighteen students of the Yajurvêda (yājusha), and one (in v. 104) was a student of the Sâmavêda (sâmaga). Six followed 5 the sûtra of Drâhyâyana, and one (in v. 103) that of Âpastamba.

After having enumerated the donees, our inscription, in verses 105-108 (II. 180-185), further states that the Brâhmanas, to whom the sixty vrittis had thus been assigned in the village, made up thirty additional vrittis and gave these, as a preferential share, to the

¹ The sum of the vrittis, specified in vv. 55-104, actually is $60\frac{3}{4}$.

Raghunatha and Chandisvara were evidently the names of the temples of Perumal (Vishnu) and Îsvara (Siva) at Uhinai (Unamanjêri).

[•] Verse 78 (in ll. 149-150) is mutilated.

[•] These two names are derived from Vêngadam, the Tamil name of the holy mountain near Tirupati in the North Arcot district.

The original text somewhat oddly says that they were 'born in the sutra of Drahyayana (or Apastamba); see vv. 85-87, 89, 96, and 103.

⁶ It is not quite clear to me whether these thirty vrittis were taken from the portions which, according to what precedes, had been assigned to the Brahmanas, or whether the village of Uhinai had originally been divided into ninety vrittis, of which the aforesaid donees at once set thirty aside for the minister. The former arrangement appears to me to be the one which is indicated by the wording of the text.

minister, the secretary (râyasa) Vênkatâdri, a son of the minister Timmaya and grandson of the minister Mosalimadûvîrama, who belonged to the qôtra of Harita, was a distinguished student of the Yajurvêda, and followed the sûtra of Âpastamba.

Verse 109 then states that this is an edict (śâsana) of Achyutarâya. Verses 110 and 111 add that this edict on copper, by the order of the Mahârâya Achyutêndra, was composed by Sabhâpati, and engraved by Vîrapâchârya, the son of Mallana. And the inscription ends with five of the ordinary benedictive and imprecatory verses. Below it is engraved, in large Kanarese characters, the word śri-Viru(rû)pâksha.

TEXT.2

First Plate.

- 1 Śrî-Ganâdhipatavê 3Namas=tumga-śiraś-chumbi-chamdra-châmanamah $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{I})$
- 2 ra-châravê | trailôkya-nagar-ârambha-mûlastambhâya Śambhavê |(||) [1*] Harêr-lîlâ-
- 3 varâhasya damshtrâ-damdah ssa4 pâtu vaḥ l ¡Hêmâdri-kalasâ yatra dhâtrî chchha-[t*]tra-śri-
- 4 yam dadhau |(||) [2*] Kalyânây=âstu tad=dhâma p[r*]atyûha-timir-âpaham | yad= Gaiô=pv=Aga-
- 5 j-ôdbhûtam Harin=âpi cha pûjyatê ((1) [3*] Asti kshîramayâd=dêvair=mathyamânân=ma-
- 6 hâmbudhêh | navanîtam=iy=ôdbhûtam=apanî[ta*]-tamô mahah [(]] [4*] ⁵Tasy= âsît=tanayas=tapô-
- 7 bi(bhi)r=atulair=anvartha-nâmâ Budhah |6 punyair=asya Purûravâ bu(bhu)ia-balair= ayu[r*]=dvi-
- shâm nighnatah | tasy=Âyur=Nahushô=sya tasya pu(pa)rushô yuddê(ddhê) Yavâtiditan 7
- 9 khyâtas=tasya tu Turvasur=Vasu-nibhah śrî-Dêvayânî-patêh [(||) [5*] *Tad-vamsê Dêvakî-
- 10 jânir=didîpê Timma-bhûpatih | yaśasvî Tuluv-êmdrêshu Yadôh Krishna iv= ânva-
- 11 yê |(||) [6*] Tatô=bhûd=Bukkamê-jânir=Îśvara-kshitipâlakah | atrâsam=agunabhram-
- [7*] Sarasâd=udabhût=tasmân=Naras-12 śam mauli-ratnam mahîbu(bhu)jâm I(II)
- 13 kaḥ | Dêvakî-namdanât=Kâmô Dêvakî-namdanâd=iva |(||) [8*] 9Vividha-sukrit-ôddâ-
- 14 mê Râmêśvara-pramukhê muhur-mudita-hridaya sthânê sthânê vyadhatta yathâvi-
- [|*] budha-parivritô nânâ-dânâni уô bhuvi shôdaśa tribhuvana-jan-ô-
- 16 dgîtam spî(sphî)tam yasah punaruktayan |(||) [9*] 10Kâvêrîm=âsu bahala-jala-
- vilamghy=aiva 11 satrum jîva-grâham grihîtvâ samiti 17 rayâm ${f tam}$
- 18 t-tam cha râjyam tadîyam | kritvâ Śrîramga-pûrvam tad-api nija-vasê pattanam
- 19 yô babhâsê(sê) |12 kîrtti-stambham nikhâya tribhuvana-bhavana-stûyamân-âpadânah [|| 10*]

¹ This name occurs (with the date A.D. 1536) in the list of great ministers and chiefs during the reigns of Krishna, Achyuta, and Sadâsiva, compiled by Mr. R. Sewell, Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. p. 249.

³ Metre of verses 1-4 : Ślôka (Anushtubh). ² From impressions supplied to me by Dr. Hultzsch.

⁴ Read sa. Metre : Śardúlavikridita.

[•] This sign of punctuation is superfluous. 7 Read Yayatih kshitau.

⁸ Metre of verses 6-8 : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁹ Metre : Harinî.

¹⁰ Metre of verses 10 and 11 : Sragdharå.

¹¹ The original has a sign of punctuation between ghyai and va.

¹² This sign of punctuation is superfluons.

- Chêram Chôramlam¹ cha Pâ[m*]dyam tam=api cha Madhurâ-yallabham mânabhûsham |2 vîry-ô-
- 21 dagram Turushkam Gajapati-nripatim ch=âpi jitvâ tad-anyân |
- ra-Lamkâ-prathama-charama-bhûbhrit-tat-âmtam nitâmtam |2 khyâtah kshonîpatînam
- [11*] ³ Tippâjî-Nâgalâ-dê-4 srajam=iva śirasâm śâsanam vò vyatânît I(II)
- vyôr=iva Nṛiśim(sim)hê[m*]drâ[t*=]tasmât=Pan[k*]tirathâd=iva |(||) [12*] Vîran vinayinau
- Râma-Lakshmanâv=iva nanidanau | jâtau Vîra-Nrisimhê[m*]drâ(dra)-Krishnarâya-25

Second Plate: First Side.

- Asmåd=Ôbâmbiká-dêvyàm=Achyutêmdra-mahîpa-26 mahîpatî (ID)
- 27 tih | Dêvakyâm Danujârâtir=Vasudêvâd=iv=âbhavat |(||) ⁵Vîra-śrî-Nâra-[14*]
- simhas=sa Vijayanagarê ratnasimhâsana-sthah kîrttyâ nîtyâ nirasyan=Nriga-
- Nala-Nahushân=apy=avanyâm=ath=ânyân 1 Sêtòr=â Sumêrôr=avanisura-nu-
- tah svairam=â ch=ôdayâdrêr=à pâśchàty-âchal-âmtâd=akhila-hridayam=âvarjya râjyam 30
- śaśâsa ((||) [15*] Nânâ-dânâny=akârshît=Kanaka-sadasi yah śri-Virûpakshadêva-sthâ-31
- śrî-Kâlahast-îsitur-api nagarê Vêmkatâdrau cha Kâmchyâm | Śrîśailê Ść-
- naśailê mahati Hariharê=hôbalê Samgamê cha 16 Śrîramgê Kumbhaghônê hata-ta-33
- masi Mahânamdi-tîrtthê Nivrittau (II) [16*] Gôkarnê Râma-sêtan jagati taditareshv=a-
- punya-sthânêshv=ârabdha-nânâvidha-bahala-mahâdâna-vâri-pra-35 py=aśêshêshu
- yasy=ôdamchat-turamgaḥ-prakara-khura-rajaḥ-śushyad-ambhodhi-magna-7 36 vâhaih kshmâbhri-
- t-paksha-chchhid-ôdyattara-tku(ku)liśadhar-ôtkamthitâ8 tku(ku)mthit=âbhût |(||) [17*] 37 Brahmâmdam vi-
- śva-chakram ghatam-udita-mahâbhûtakam ratna-dhênum sapt-âmbhôdhimś-cha kalpa-38 kshiti-
- kâmchanîm kâma-dhênum rnha-latikê []*] svarna-kshmâm γô hirany-âsvaratham=api tu-
- lâ-pûrusham gô-sahasram | 9 hêm-âśvam hêma-garbham kanaka-kari-ratham pamcha-
- galy=atânît |(||) [18*] Prâjyam¹0 prasâsya nirvighnam râjyam dyâm=iva sâsitum | 41
- n=gunêna vikhyâtê kshitêr=imdrê divam gatê !(||) [19*] Tatô=py=avârya-vîryaḥ śri-Krishnarâ-
- ya-mahîpatih | bibhartti manikêyûra-nirvisêsham mahîm bhujê |(||) [20*] Kîrttyâ¹¹
- sya samamtatah praśri(sri)taya viśvam ruch-aikyam 12 vrajed=ity=âśamkya pura 44 Purâri-

² These two signs of punctuation are superfluous.

Metre of verses 12-14 : Slôka (Anushtubh).

⁴ Here the following aksharas have been omitted: cy6h Kausalya-śri-Sumitray6h | dê-.

⁵ Metre of verses 15-18: Sragdharâ.

⁶ This sign of punctuation is superfluous. 7 Rend -turamga-prakara-.

The reading -6 dyattara- also occurs in v. 17 of the Hampe inscription, and in v. 17 of a copper-plate inscription of Sadâsiva, of which Dr. Hultzsch has sent me an impression. I nevertheless consider it to be a mistake tor -ôdyat-kara-.

⁹ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

¹⁰ Metre of verses 19 and 20: Slôka (Anushtubh). 11 Metre : Śârdûlavikrīdita

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- 45 r=abhavad=bhâļ-êkshaṇa[ḥ*] prâyaśaḥ | Padmâkshô=pi chatur-bhujô=jani chatur-vaktrâ=dbhava-l
- 46 t=Padmabhûḥ |3 Kâļî khaḍgam=adhâd=Ramâ cha kamalam vîṇâm cha Vâṇi karê |(||) [21*] Śatru(trû)ṇâm³
- 47 vâsam=êtê dadata iti rushâ kim nu sapt=âmburâsî(sîn=) nânâ-sênâ-ttu(tu)ramga-
- 48 tri(tru)tita-vasumatî-dhûli-kâpâlikâbhih | śam(sam)śôshya svairam=êtat-pratini-
- 49 dhi-jaladhi-s[r]ênikâ yô vidhattê | brahmanda-svarnamêru-pramukha-nija-ma-
- 50 hådåna-tôyair=amêyaih ((||) [22*] Mad-dattâm=arthi-sârtthâ[h*] śriyam=iha suchiram bhum-
- 51 jatâm=ity=avêtyaḥ | 5 prâyaḥ pratyûha-hêtôs=tapana-ratha-gatêr=âlayân=dê-

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- 52 vatânâm [|*] tat-tad-dig-jaitra-vri[t*]ty=âpi cha biruda-padair=amkitâ[m*]s=tatra tatra
- 53 stambhân(n)=jâta-pratishthân=vyatanuta bhuvi yô bhûbhrid=abhramkash-âgrân |(||) [23*] Stu-
- 54 ty-audâryah sudhîbhih sa Vijayanagarê [ra*]tnasimhûsana-sthah kshmâpâlân=Kri-
- 55 shṇarâya-kshitipatir-adharîkritya nîtyâ Nrig-âdîn | â pûrvâdrêr-ath-â-
- 56 stakshitidhara-katakâd=â cha Hêmâchal-âmtâd=â Sêtôr=artthi-sârtha-śriyam=i-
- 57 ha bahalîkritya kîrttya babhâsê 6 |(||) [24*] Kritavati 7 sura-lôkam Krishnarayê nij-âm.
- 58 śam tad-anu tad-anujanma punya-karm-Achyutemdrah | akhilam-avani-lôkam sv-âm-
- 59 śam=êty=âri-j[ê]tâ vilasati Hari-chêtâ vidvad-ishta-pradâtâ |(||) [25*] ⁸Yô=sau paṭṭ-âbhi-
- 60 shiktô bhuvam=api nikhilâm pâlayêm şiaitra-yâtr-ârambhai(bhê) samjrimbhamân-ôdbhata-
- 61 paṭaha-rav-âchâmta-rôdô-mtarâlê | Madram bhîty≈âpanidram samadhigata-ma-
- 62 hâśaila-śrimgam Kalimgam sâtamkam Vamka(ga)m=Amgam saha-balam=akarôśch(ch)= chhaurya-
- 63 bhaing-ânushaingam¹0 |(||) [26*] ¹¹Yat-kîrtti-chaindraś=charati kshamâyâin tithiśv(shv)=aśêshâsu viva-
- 64 rddhatê cha | tanôti chakrasya mudam samimdhê divâ cha sâyam kumudair=vi-
- 65 rumdhê |(||) [27*] Madam 13 manasi mârutam sithilayaty=amêyai[sta?]yair=yad-asva-patalî khu-

¹ Read -vaktrô=bhava-. ² This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

Metre of verses 22-24: Sragdharå.

This sign of punctuation is superfluons.

⁵ Read ≈avētya prāyaḥ. The reading álayan at the end of this line is preferable to the reading álayan of other inscriptions.

The Hampe inscription of Krishnaraya, v. 29, reads samindhe. Metre: Malini.

⁸ Metre : Sragdharå. 9 Read pâlayañ=.

¹⁰ The sense would be better expressed by *anushaktam, but I have no doubt that the above reading is correct.

¹¹ Metre: Upajāti.

Metre: Prithvî.— This verse clearly is an imitation of part of v. 22, above, and its general sense is not doubtful. The text of it, also, with the exception of a single akshara, is quite clear in the impressions. But the end of the first Pâda (tayair or stayair) yields no sense, and I fail to see the construction of the verse, as read above. I feel almost certain that, in the first Pâda, we ought to read sithilayanty= (instead of sithilayaty=) and to take this to qualify asva-patali, and that in the last Pâda we should read ambudhim and (qualifying this) raya-virôdhinam vâjinâm. For the rest, I would suggest, with some diffidence, reading améyais-tam6 (instead of ameyaistayair) and bala-(or para-)pramathan-ôdyat6 (instead of bala-pramathamasyan6). With these alterations the meaning of the verse would be about this: "Seeing how the multitude of his horses, humbling the conceit of the winds, has created darkness by the immense clouds of dust which it raises with its hoofs, one feels inclined to ask whether, eager to destroy the opponent forces, Achyutêndra angrily is drying up the ocean, because it impedes the progress of his chargers."

66	raiḥ kshi[ti*]-rajôbhir=utthâpitaiḥ ajîjanad=iti krudhâ kim=u visôsha-yaty=ambudhi-bala-pramathamasyanô raya-virôdhinam vâjinam () [28*] Kârâ-				
67					
68	grih-âkalita-vâsa-virôdhi-bhûpa-dâr-âvaļî-kara-vichâlita-châ-				
69	marasya Râjâdhirâja-Pararâjabhayamkar-aikavîr-âdikâni				
70	birudâni bahûni yasya (() [29*] Śrîrainga-Vêmkatamahâchala-Sêtu-Kâmchî-				
71	Śrîśaila-Śônagiri-Hêmasabh-âdimêshu sthânêshu tîrtha-niva				
72	hêshu cha pâvanêshu dânâni shôdasa bahûni kritâni yêna ((1) [30*] 2Sapt-âm-				
73	bhôdhîn=suvarn-âsva-ratham=api tulâ-pûrusham visva-chakram 18 hêmâsva-sva-				
74	rņamêdiny-amaratarulatāḥ kāmchanîm kāma-dhênum l brahmāmdam [sva(ra)]-				
75	tna-dhênum kanaka-kari-ratham gô-sahasram cha sîrân=pamch=âpi svarna-ga-				
76	rbham ya iha bhuvi mahâbhûta-kam(kum)bha[m*] vyatânît () [31*] Ambhôdêna inipîyamâ-				
	Third Plate; First Side.				
77	na-salilò-gastvêna pît-ô[i*]ihitas=taptô Râchaya-sâvak-âoni-si-				

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pit-o[j*]jhitas=taptô
                                                              Râghava-sâyak-âgni-śi-
                              sadâ [1*] amtasthair=vadavâ-mukh-ânala-śikhâ-jâlair=vi-
78
    khayâ
             samtapyamânah
                                  yad-dân-âmbu-ghan-âmbur=ambudhir=ayam
    śnshkô
               ddhru(dhru)vam
     samu[d*]dyôtatê |(||) [32*]
                                  Bhîsha-5
    na-vairi-vikhamdana-chamdah 6 Sesha-mahabhara-hrid-bhujadamdah [1*] Bhashage-7
    tannuva-râyara-gamdah Pûshaja-darpa-hrid-amhati-saumdah |(||) [33*] Râjâdhir[â]-8
    jas=Sarvajñaś=śrî-Râjaparamêśvarah
                                              Mûru-râyara-gaṁḍaś=cha
                       l(||) [34*] Para-dârêshu [ti(vi)]mukhah Para-râja-bhayamka-
    râsi-gabhîra-dhîh
   rah | Śishta-samrakshana-parô Dushta-śârdûla-mardanah |(||) [35*] Himdurâya-
                    Imduvamsa-sikhâmanih
    suratrâna
                                                 Ar-îbha-gamda-bhêrumdô
    rddhanârî-natêsvarah | ityâdi-birudaih 9 kîrtti-[bha]ritair=yutah |(||) [36*] Am-
    gên=âpi Kalimgêna
                           Vamgêna
                                       cha
                                             parair=nripaih
                                                                jaya
                                                                       jîva mahâ-
88 rây=êty=aniśam gîyatê
                            cha
                                  yah 1(11) [37*]
                                                     Sa^{10}
                                                            jayati narapâlas=satya-
                                  Vijayanagara-râjad-ratnasimhâsana-sthah
    dharma-pratishthô
    Nriga-Nala-Nahush-âdîm(dîn=)
                                          nîchayan=râja-nîtyâ
                                                                    nirupama-bhuja-
    vîry-audârya-bhûr=Achyutêmdrah
                                      |(||) [38*] <sup>11</sup> Śak-âbdê Śâlivâhasya sahasrê-
    na chatuś-śataih | dvishashtya cha samayukte(ktai)r=gananam prapite kra-
            |(||) [39*] Śârvari-nāmakê varshê mâsi
                                                          Kârttika-nâmani | śu-
    kla-pakshê cha punyâyâm-utthâna-dvâdasî-tithau
                                                         I(II) [40*] Tumgabhadrâ-
      nadî-
                Vitthalêsvara-samnidhan
95
    tîrê
                                                        nânâ-śâkh-âbhidhâ-gôtra-sûtrê-
                              vikhyâtêbhyô
 96 bhyaś≈śâstravittayâ
                                              dvijátibhyô
                                                             vêdavidbhyô
                            Prakhyâta-śrî-Jayamkomda-Chôla-mamdalla(la)-vâsinam
97 tah
            (11)
                  [41#]
      Padavîdu-mahâ-
98 râjyê khyâtam=Âmûru-kôta-gam |(||) [42*] Ramdâyira-mahâvêli-ppattau
    muli-nâdukê | vara-Semkalanî rpattu-sîmâyâm cha krita-sthitim [|| 43*]
100 19 yyamchêry-ahvaya-grâmâd=âsâm prâchîm=upâsritam
                                                              Kulappak-abhidha-gra-
101 mâd-dakshinasyâm diśi sthitam |(||) [44*] Nallampâk-âbhidha-grâmâd=Vêmkam-
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¹ Metre of verses 29 and 30: Vasantatilakå.
2 Metre: Sragdharå.
3 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
4 Metre: Sardulavikridita.

Metre: Dôdhaka. Originally dah ééésha- was engraved.

⁷ Read Bhashege- (dat, sing. of Kanarese bhashe = Sanskrit bhasha).

Metre of verses 34-37 : Sidka (Anushtubh).

⁹ Here three syllables are missing.

Metre: Malini. 11 Metre of verses 39-108: Sloka (Anushtubh).

¹⁷ The sign of the superscript r in Ayyamchery- is engraved twice.

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- 102 påkåch=cha paschimam / Arumkâl=iti vikhyâtâ¹ grâmâd=uttara-sthitim |(||)[45*]
- 103 Achy[u]têmd[r]amahârâyapuram=ity=apar-âbhidham | sarva-sasyais=sadâ yu-
- 104 ktam=Uhinai-grâmam=uttamam |(||)[46*] Sarvamânyam chatus-sîmâ-samyutam cha sa-
- 105 mamtataḥ | nidhi-nikshêpa-pâshâṇa-siddha-sâdhya-jal-ânvitam |(||) [47*] A-
- 106 kshiny-âgâmi-samyuktam gana-bhôgyam sa-bhûruham [vâpî-kûpa-taṭâkais=cha ka-
- 107 śchchh(chchh)-ârâmaiś=cha samyutam ((II) [48*] Putra-pautr-âdibhir=bhôgyam kramâd=â-chamdra-târakam | dâns- &
- 108 sy-âdhamanasy-âpi vikrayasy-âpi ch-ôchitam |(||) [49*] Svâmi-kârya-dhurînêna svâ-
- 109 dhîna-naya-sampadâ yasasvin=Âdiyappêmdra-nâyak-âmbuni-
- 110 dh-îmdunâ || [50*] Agra-gaṇyêna śûrâṇâm=Anamt-ânvaya-janma-
- 111 nâ | vinayên=êva mûrttêna viśvâs-âvô(vâ)sa-vêśmanâ | vijîâpitô
- 112 Virûpâksha-nâyakêmdra-manasvinâm(nâ) |(||)[51*] Parîtah prayataih snigdhaih pu-
- 113 rôhita-purôgamaiḥ vividhair=vibudhais=śrautapathikair=adhikai-
- 114 r=girâ |(||) [52*] Sarâts[dra-ma]hârâyô³ mânanîyô manasvinâm | sahira-
- 115 nya-payôdhârâ-pûrvakam dattavân=mudâ ((1) [53*] Asmin=grâmê=tivikhyâtê
- 116 shashti-vritti-samanvitê | vrittimamtò vilikhyamtê viprâ vêdâmta-pâ-
- 117 ragâh |(||) [54*] Vishnavê Raghunathaya visva(śva)-rakshâ-vidhâyinê | vrittir=a-
- 118 tra sapâd=aik[â*] sudh-[â*]hârâya(rtha)m=arppitâ |(||) [55*] Chamḍiśvarâya dêvâya târa-
- 119 kâdhîşa-manlayê | atra pûjâ-kritê vrittih sapâd=aik[â*] samarppitâ |(||) [56*]
- 120 Durgâbhattas=sudhîr=atra Kâchanâddhvari-namdanah | pamcha vrittîr=avâpnôti
- 121 yâjushah Kâsyap-ânvayah I(II) [57*] Maunabhârgava-gôtra[h*] śrî-Timmâjyôtishi-
- 122 k-âtmajah | Timmâjyôtishikô vritti-dvayam-atr-aiti bahvrichah |(||) [58*] Tim-
- 123 mâvadhâninas=sûnur=Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhavah sudhî-
- 124 r=Bhairavabhaṭṭ-âkhyô bahvṛichô=tra dvi-vṛittikaḥ || [59*]

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- 125 Yájushas=Sômavára-šrí-Gurvayaḥ Kâšyap-ânvayaḥ | pamcha vrittír=i-
- 126 h=âpnôti śrî-Gamgâdharabhaṭṭa-jaḥ |(||) [60*] Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhûta[ḥ*] sûnus=Tim-
- 127 mâvadhâninaḥ | arddha-vrittim=avâpnôti Kâchambhaṭṭô=tra bahvrichaḥ |(||) [61*] Bhâra-
- 128 dváj-ánvayas=súnus=Timmábhattasya bahvrichah | vrittim=êkâm=ih=ápnôti
- 129 vivêkî Vîrarâghavah ((||) [62*] Śrî-Virûpākshabhaṭṭasya sûnur=Maudgalya-gôtra-
- 130 jah | bahvrichô Basavâbhaṭṭas=sudhîs=sârddha-dvi-vrittikaḥ |(||) [63*] Viśvâmitr-ânva-
- 131 y-ôdbhûtô Gautambhattasya namdanah | 3dhîmân=Lakshmanabhatt-âkhyô bahyrichô=
- 132 tr=ârddha-vrittikaḥ |(||) [64*] Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhûtô Dêvarêbhaṭṭa-naṁdanaḥ |
 Mallu⁴
- 133 bhavaty=arddha-vrittimân=atra bahvrichaḥ [(||) [65*] Sûnur=Viṭṭhalabhaṭṭasya śrî-Vats-ânva-
- 134 ya-sambhavah | atra Râghavabhaṭṭô=rddha-vṛittim=âpnôti bahvṛichaḥ |(||) [66*] Limgâbhattasya
- 135 sûnu[ḥ*] śrî-Viśvâmitr-ânvay-ôdbhavaḥ | Nâgâbhaṭṭô bhavaty≈êka-vṛittimân≔atra

¹ Here one syllable is missing. Read vikhyátát=sugrámád= (?).

¹ Read Achyutêmdra-maharayê.

Read dhimaml=Lao.

⁴ Read Mallubiaffó; see below, v. 99.

- 136 bahvrichah !(||) [67*] Nagabhattô(tt-a)hvayô dhîman=Nagabhattasya namdanah | Viśvâmitr-[â]-
- nvayô=tr=aikâm vrittim=âpnôti bahvrichah [68*] I(II)Bhâradvâj-ânvavaś= Chautikamti-
- 138 Râmârya-namdanah | bahvrichô Varadâbhattô vrittim=êk[â*]m=ih=âśnutê [|| 69*]
- danaś=Chaumdibhattasya 139 Viśvamitr-anvay-odbhavah śrî-Kâlahastibhatt-â-
- 140 khyô bahvrichô=tra dvi-vrittikah |(||) [70*] Namdanaś=Chaumdibhattasya Viśvâmitr-ânya-
- 141 y-ôdbhavah | bahvrichô vrittim=atr=aikâm Limgam(gâ)bhattas=samasnutê |(||) [71*] Vasishtha-gôtra-jô
- Laddagiri-Timm-âkhya-sûri-jah | Timmâbhattô 142 bahvrichô=tra satripâd-aika-
- 143 vrittimân !(||) [72*] Mallâvadhâninas=sûnur=bahvrichô Harit-ânvayah | sudhîs=Srî-
- 144 dharabhatt-âkhyô vrittim=êkâm=ih=âsnutê **I(II)** [73*] Yâjushô Bhûtanâtha-śrî-Chittibha-
- ttasya namdanah | Râmâbhattas=sapâd-aika-vrittikô Gautam-ânvayah |(||) [74*] 145 Yâjushah Pe-1
- rya-Perumâļ-â[tma]jah Kâsyap-ânvayah | Achchân-âkhyas=cha pâdôna-vritti-dvayam=i-
- h'nśnutê !(||) [75*] Namdanô=namtabhattasya Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhavah | yâjushô= namtabhattô=
- 148 tra sårddh-aikâm vrittim=asnutê 1(11) [76*] Vêmkadatt-Uruvâr-ârya-sûnus(s)= Sa(sa)mkriti-gôtra-jah | śrî-
- 149 Râmô-tra sapâd-aikâm vrittim-âpnôti yâjushah I(II) [77*] ²Nayinâr-âtmajas=satripâd-aikâ[m*]
- 150 vrittim=asnutė |(||)[78*] Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhûtô yâjushô=llâlabhaṭṭa-jaḥ | Ânaikkuṭ-â-
- 151 hvayô dhîmân=pâdôna-trayatraya-vrittikah 3 |(||) [79*] Nârâyanô Mamdala-śri-Puru-

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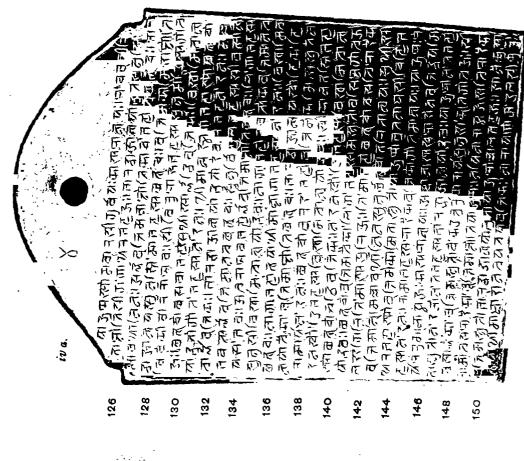
- ahasy=[â*]tmasambhavaḥ | Bhâradvâjas=sapâd-aikâm vṛittim Drâhyâyaṇô=śnutê |(||) [80*] Bhâra-
- 153 dváj-ánvay-ôdbhûtô Vêmkadatt-Appa-namdanah | śrî-Râmô yâjushô dhîmân=arddhavrittim=ih=â-
- śnutê ((1) [81*] Kauśik-ânvaya-sambhûtô yajô=ppan-sudhi-sutah l sårddhadvi-vrittimân=atra Dharmayô dhîmatâ[m]
- varah I(II) [82*] Śimniyapp-âhvayô dhîmân=yâjushah Kausik-ânvayah I Amnanâkhya-sudhî-sûnur=atra sâ-
- I(II) [83*] Nayinâr-âtmajô Bhâradvâja-gôtrô-tra 156 rddha-dvi-vrittikah śrî-Tirûvêinkam-Udayâ5
- |(||) [84*] Kausik-ânvaya-sambhûta[h*] śrî-Sômâśit[r]ipâd-vrittim samasnutê sutô-ppayah | vrittim-êkâ-
- 158 m=ih=âpnôti śrî-Drâhyâyana-sûtra-jah 1(11) [85*] Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhûta[h*] śrî-Drâhyâyaṇa-sûtra-jaḥ | abhyê-
- 159 ty=Anamtayô=tr=ârddha-vrittim Nârâyanârya-jah 1(11) [86*] Bhâradvâj-ânvayô Drahyayana-sûtra-sam[u]dbhavah | a-

3 Read pådóna-traya-orittikah, * Read yajushoe.

¹ Perya-Perumâl is used, for the sake of the metre, instead of Periya-Perumâl, the Tamil equivalent of Maha-Vishnu.

² Half the number of syllables of this verse is missing.

Read - Tiruténkam-Udayár, as below, l. 172. Udayár represents the Tamil word udaiyár, 'lord, god.'



10.2 जाम बच्चास सम्मान मिलिया जाना माउन अस्तिम

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प्रातिम्बर्धात क्षेत्रतमाना अम्प्रारिमात्र वामामानार हुन्। त्वयं द्रवाचा मामा मामा मामा मामा क्षेत्र क्ष 李祖公中国人名西拉西 好四五名 医光四九四十五日五四十五日 तिया स्वत्या स मन्त्रेयोत्रास्त्राम गर्गाम प्रमान न्य मन्त्राम मास्त्रीला मुत्रम् 中日からいいかいかいというという निम् उयस्य यामाना नामाना (अमेक्तासित्राम्यात्रमात्राम्यां व्याम्यान्या मान्या <u> ६ न के। म्ड छ मे त्राप्त माराम छ। म द्राप्ता त्राप्ता मा त्राप्ता मा त्राप्ता मा त्राप्ता मा त्राप्ता मा त्रा</u> (FIND) 11. p. 152 156 154 158 160 162 64 166 168 170

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- 160 tr=ârddha-vrittimân=Âchchân-sûnur=Varadayas=sudhîḥ |(||) [87*] Kauśik-ânvaya-sambhûtô yâjushô Mamdal-âtma-
- 161 jaḥ | vṛittim=êkâm=ih=âpnôti Taṁ(tiṁ)mayô dhîmatâṁ varaḥ |(||) [88*] Bhâradvâjânvay-ôdbhûtaś=śrî-Drâ-
- 162 hyâyaṇa-sûtra-jaḥ | Kuppayô Napi(yi)nâr-âkhya-sûri-jô=tr=ârddha-vṛittikaḥ |(||) [89*] Kâmâbhaṭṭasya sûnu[ḥ*]
- 163 śrî-Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhavaḥ | vrittim=êkâm=ih=âpnôti bahvrichaḥ Paunayas=sudhîḥ |(||) [90*] Bhâradvâ-
- 164 j-ânvay-ôdbhûtah Komdayasy=âtmasambhavah | yâjushas=Timmayô dhîmân=arddha-vrittim=ih=âsnutê |(||) [91*]
- 165 Nadabhârata-Nâgârya-namdanô Limgayas=sudhîh | Bhâradvâj-ânvayô=tr=ârddha-vrittim=âpnôti
- 166 yâjushaḥ |(||) [92*] Nârâyaṇô Maṁḍala-śrî-Purushasy=âtmasaṁbhavaḥ | Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhûtô yâ-
- 167 jushô=tr=ârddha-vrittimân |(||) [93*] Komdap-âkhya-sudhî-sûnur=Bhâradvâj-ânvay-ôdbhavaḥ | yâjushô [Râ]ma-
- 168 yô vrittim=êkâm=atra samasnutê |(||) [94*] Viśvâmitr-ânvay-ôdbhûtah Kâmâbhattasya namdanah []*] a-
- 169 rddha-vrittim=avâpnôti Nâgappô bahvrichas=sudhîh {(||) [95*] Bhâradvâj-ânvayôdbhûta[ḥ*] śrî-Drâhyâ-
- 170 yaṇa-sûtra-jaḥ | Śellappa-namdanô-tr-ârddha-vṛittim-Amṇas-samaśnutê |(||) [96*]
 Vatsa-gôtra-sam[udbhû]-
- 171 tô Nayinâr-âtmasambhavaḥ | pâda-vṛittim=ih=âpnôti yâjushô=namtayas=sudḥîh |(||) [97*]
- 172 Bhâradvâj-ânvayô dhîmân=yâjushô=ppaya-namdanah | ¹śrî-Tirûvêmkam-Udayâr-âhva-
- 173 yô=tr=ârddha-vrittikaḥ |(||) [98*] Kâļahasti-sudhî-sûnur=Bhâradvâj-ânvayôdbhavah | Mallubhatta-
- 174 s=tripâd-vrittim bahvrichô=tra samaśnutê |(||) [99*] Harit-ânvaya-sambhûtô Limgâbhattasya namdanah | ba-
- 175 hvrichah Pa[dma]yah pâda-vrittim=atra samasnutê |(||) [100*] Śrî-Kâļahastibhattasya namdanô Harit-â-
- 176 nvayah | pâda-vrittim=ih=âpnôti bahvrichah Komdayas=sudhîh |(||) [101*]
 Maunabhârgava-gôtra-[jah(jas=)]
- 177 Timmâjyôtishik-âtmajah | Timmâjyôtishikô=tr=ârddha-vrittim=âpnôti bahvri[chah |(||)] [102*]
- 178 Harit-ânvaya-sambhûtas=Timmayô=mmaya-namdanaḥ [|*] tripâd-vṛittim=ih=âpnôti var-Âpastamba-sûtra-[jaḥ |(||)] [103*] [Sâ-?]
- 179 varņa-gôtra-sambhûtas=Sabhâpati-kavîmdra-jaḥ | sudhîs=Svayambhûnâth-âkhy as=sâmagô =tr=aika-vrittikaḥ |(||) [104*]

Fifth Plate.

- 180 Vêda-sâstr-ârttha-ta[t*]tva-jñâ vrittimamtô mahîsurâh | grâmê=smin=kalpitâḥ pûrvam shashṭi-vrittî-
- 181 r-vin-âdhunâ |(||) [105*] Punas-sarvê-dhikîkritya trimsad-vrittîr-maha(na)svinah | Harit-ânvaya-jâtâ-
- 182 ya var-Âpastamba-sûtrinê | yajuś-śâkhâvatâm=agra-yâyinê guṇa-śâlinê |(||) [106*] Pau-
- 183 trâya khyâta-Mosalimadûvîrama-mamtrinah | dharma-marm-ârtha-vidushê Timmay-â-

184	mâtya-sûnavê () [107*] Nitya-klri(kļi)pt-âśvamêdhâya nrip-âgr-ôpakriyâ-girâ râyasa-śrî-Vêm-					
185	kaṭâdri-mamtriṇê naya-tamtriṇê uddhâr-âmśatay=aiv=aitâs=trimśad-vṛittîr=adur= mudâ [108*]					
186	Pûrayatô l budha-vâmchâ(chhâ) vârayatô vairi-bhûpa-chitta-madam l a-					
187	chyuta-vihita-bhûr=Achyutarâyasya śâsanam tad=idam () [109*]					
	² Achutêmdra-ma-					
188	hârâya-śâsanêna Sabhâpatih abhânîmri(t=pa)da-samdarbham³ tad=idam tâm(tâ)-					
189	mra-sâsanam () [110*] Achyutêmdra-mahârâya-sâsanân=Mallan-âtmajah tvashtâ					
190	śrî-Vîranâchâryô vyalikhat=tâm(tâ)mra-śâsanam () [111*] Dâna-pâlanayôr=maddhyê					
191	dânâch=chhrêyô=nupâlanam dânât=svargam=avâpnôti pâlanâd=achyutam					
192	padam () [112*] Sva-dattâ[d*]=dviguṇam(ṇa-) puṇyam para-datt-ânupâlanam para-datt-â-					
193	pahârêna sva-dattam nispha(shpha)lam bhavêt () [113*] Sva-dattâm para-dattâm vâ					
194	yô harêta vasumdharâm shashtir=varusha-sahasrâni4 vishtâyâm					
195	jâyatê krimih () [114*] Ai(ê)k=aiva bhaginî lôkê sarvêshâm=êva bhûbhu-					
196	jâm na bhôjyâ(gyâ) na kara-grâhyâ vipra-dattâ vasumdharâ [115*] 5Sâ-					
197	mânyô=yaṁ dharma-sêtur=nṛipâṇâṁ kâlê kâlê pâlanîyô bhava-					
198	dbhis(dbhih)=sarvân=êtân=bhâvinah pârthiv-êmdrân=bhûyô nbhû(bhû)yô yâchatê Râmachamdrah [116*]					
199	Śrî-Viru(rû)pâksha [*]					

No. 25.—SPURIOUS SUDI COPPER-PLATE GRANT PURPORTING TO HAVE BEEN ISSUED BY BUTUGA IN SAKA-SAMVAT 860.

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This inscription, which is now published for the first time, came to my notice in April, 1892, when I obtained the original plates, for examination, from Îrayya bin Uddânayya Muradimatha, a resident of Sûdi in the Rôn tâlukâ, Dhârwâr district.

The plates are five in number, each measuring about $9\frac{5}{8}''$ by 4'' The edges of them were fashioned slightly thicker than the inscribed surfaces, so as to serve as rims to protect the writing; and, though the plates are in many places a good deal corroded by rust, there are but very few passages in which the text cannot be made out quite satisfactorily.—The ring on which the plates are strung, is about $\frac{5}{16}''$ thick, and circular in shape, about $3\frac{3}{8}''$ in diameter. It had not been cut, when the grant came into my hands. The surface of the seal in which the ends of the ring are secured, is slightly oval, about $1\frac{5}{8}''$ by $1\frac{3}{8}''$. It has, in high relief on a slightly countersunk surface, an elephant, standing to the proper right, with its trunk hanging down.—The weight of the five plates is 188 tolas; and of the ring and seal, $23\frac{3}{8}$ tolas: total, $211\frac{3}{8}$ tolas.—The characters belong to what is usually known as the Old-Kanarese alphabet. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{3}{16}''$. The engraving is fairly good: but it is not particularly

Metre: Gîti.— In the third Pâda of this verse one or two syllables are missing. I would suggest reading achysta-cihitam bhumêr=.

² Metre of verses 110-115 : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

^{3 [}Read abhdnin=mridu-?- E. H.]

^{*} Rend shashfim varsha. Metre : Salini.

deep; and so the letters do not show through on the reverse sides of the plates. The interiors of them shew, as usual, marks of the working of the engraver's tool, almost throughout. It seems unnecessary to lithograph the whole record; but, as a specimen, I give plates i., iii. b., and iv. a and b.— Except for the use of a few Kanarese forms and words, especially in lines 77, 78, the language is Sanskrit. In addition to two of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses in lines 80 to 82, there are verses in lines 48 to 64 and 83, 84.— The orthography presents nothing calling for remark.

The inscription purports to be a record of that Western Ganga prince Bûtuga, who, according to the Âtakûr inscription (Epigraphia Indica, Vol. II. p. 167), slew the Chôla king Râjâditya, in the war between the latter and the Râshṭrakûṭa king Kṛishṇa III., in or just before A. D. 949-50. And the object of it is to record a grant of land, which he is supposed to have made, to a Jain temple which his wife Dîvalâmbâ had founded at Sûṇḍi, i.e. Sûḍi. The record, however, is spurious.

The date on which the grant purports to have been made, is Sunday, the eighth tithi of the bright fortnight of the month Kârttika of the Vikârin samvatsara, Śaka-Samvat 860 expired. The details, however, do not work out correctly. By the mean-sign system of the cycle, by which alone Vikârin can be connected with the given year, the samvatsara commenced on the 19th November, A.D. 937, in Śaka-Samvat 860 current, and ended on the 15th November, A.D. 938, in Śaka-Samvat 861 current (860 expired). During this period, the month Kârttika fell in A.D. 938; and the given tithi ended on Thursday, 4th October, A.D. 938, at about 49 ghatis, 45 palas,=19 hrs. 54 min., after mean sunrise (for Bombay). By the southern luni-solar system, Vikârin coincided with Śaka-Samvat 861 expired or 862 current: but, even if it be assumed that the record contains a mistake in respect of the year, no better result can be obtained; for, in Śaka-Samvat 862 current the given tithi began on Tuesday, 22nd October, A.D. 939, at about 30 gh. 25 p.,=12 hrs. 10 min.

This grant belongs to a series of spurious records of a family or dynasty the members of which may, for the sake of convenience, be appropriately called the Western Gangas, or the Gangas of Gangavadi,—a province which lay principally in what is now the Mysore territory. These records have been mistakenly accepted by Mr. Rice as genuine. And it is most unfortunate that this has happened; for the supposed facts and dates that are stated in them, permeate and vitiate almost everything that he has written in connection with the period to which they purport to belong. I have before now indicated the true nature of these records, and some of the reasons for stamping them as spurious.\(^1\) Mr. Rice, however, has remained unconvinced. And I take this opportunity of stating the case more fully, and in a manner which was not possible when I wrote about it twelve years ago,— in the hope of being able to convert him at last, and with the object of at any rate preventing others, who may be working at the ancient history of India without reading the original documents for themselves, from falling into the same errors, and from being misled by such of his published statements as are based on these records.

Excluding the present grant, which I shall notice again further on, we have now nine of these spurious records, in print more or less, as follows:—

- (1) The Tanjore grant of Arivarman, i.e. Harivarman, dated in the Prabhava samvatsara, Śaka-Samvat 169 expired, with details falling in A.D. 248; published by myself, Ind. Ant. Vol. VIII. p. 212, with a lithograph.
- (2) The Harihar grant of an unnamed son of Vishnugôpa,—who is, I suppose intended to be Mâdhava II.,—dated in the Sâdhârana samvatsara, Śaka-Samvat 272 (expired),

¹ See, e.g., Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 111.— My present remarks, of course, entirely supersede all that I have previously written on this subject.

with details falling in A.D. 351; published by Mr. Rice, Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 173, with a lithograph: the translation is also given in his Mysore Inscriptions, p. 293.

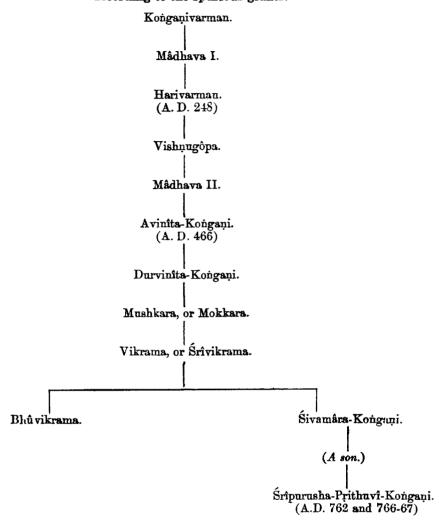
- (3) The Mallohalli grant of Avinîta-Kongani, dated in the twenty-ninth year of his reign, in the Jaya samvatsara, which is taken by Mr. Rice to be Saka-Samvat 377 current (A.D. 454-55); published by Mr. Rice, Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 136, with a lithograph: the translation is also given in his Mysore Inscriptions, p. 289.
- (4) The Merkara grant of the same person, dated in the year 388 of an era which is unspecified but is taken to be the Śaka era, with details which, whether the year is applied as current or as expired, fall in A.D. 466; published by Mr. Rice, *Ind. Ant.* Vol. I. p. 363, with a lithograph: the translation is also given in his *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 282: the text, translation, and lithograph, have all been reproduced in his *Coorg Inscriptions*, p. 1.
- (5) The Bangalore Museum grant of Durvinita-Kongani, dated in the third year of his reign, which is taken by Mr. Rice to be A.D. 481-82; published by Mr. Rice, Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 174: the translation is also given in his Mysore Inscriptions, p. 294.
- (6) The Mallohalli grant of the same person, dated in the thirty-fifth year of his reign, the Vijaya samvatsara, which is taken by Mr. Rice to be Śaka-Samvat 436 current (A.D. 513-14); published by Mr. Rice, Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 138, with a lithograph: the translation is also given in his Mysore Inscriptions, p. 291.
- (7) The Hosûr grant of Śripurusha-Prithuvì-Kongani, dated Śaka-Samvat 684 expired, with details falling in A.D. 762; published by Mr. Rice,—translation only,—Mysore Inscriptions, p. 284.
- (8) The Nagamangala grant of the same person, dated in the fiftieth year of his reign, Saka-Samvat 698 expired (A.D. 776-77); published by Mr. Rice, *Ind. Ant.* Vol. II. p. 155, with a lithograph: the translation is also given in his *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 287.
- (9) The British Museum grant of Ereganga, which takes the genealogy only as far as Śivamāra-Kongani, and contains no date of any kind, but seems intended to belong to a later period than that of Śrîpurusha; published by myself, *Ind. Ant.* Vol. XIV. p. 229, with a lithograph.

The genealogy and dates furnished by these records are shewn in the Table on the opposite page. And such details as are derivable from them, from a Tamil chronicle called Kongudéśa-rājākkal, and from some later documents which have not yet been published, have been compiled by Mr. Rice, with the result of a tolerably lengthy and circumstantial account, such as it is; 1 the misfortune is that there is so very little, in all the early part of it, that is authentic.

In the inquiry into the nature of these records, the first point to attract attention is,—except in the Någamangala grant; and perhaps in the Hosûr grant, of which neither the text nor a lithograph is available,— the very marked badness of the orthography. Even the Någamangala grant exhibits, here and there all through, just the characteristic slips that are to be expected somewhere or other in a document which, though prepared with skill and care, is nevertheless not genuine. But, as regards the other records, there are absolutely no genuine epigraphic remains which even approximate to them in this respect. And, for a suitable comparison, we have to go to such documents as the spurious Kurtakôti grant, which purports to be of the time of the Western Chalukya king Vikramâditya I. and to have been issued in A.D. 610 (Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 217), but which is shewn, by even the date recorded in it, to be a palpable forgery, and belongs really to a very much later date. In respect of the British

¹ See Mysore Inscriptions, p. xl. ff., Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. pp. 1-11, and, finally, Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, Introd. pp. 67-70; also some remarks in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 187 ff.

The earlier Western Gangas, according to the spurious grants.



Museum grant, it may be added that portions of the text are bodily misplaced; and the context is so mixed up that, without the other records as a guide, most of it would be hopelessly unintelligible.

The next point to command attention is the paleography of the grants, as far as published lithographs are available.

The Tanjore grant purports to have been issued in A.D. 248. But every character in it betrays a far later date; and, taken all together, they point to the tenth century A.D., as the earliest possible period for the fabrication of the record. This was recognised by Dr. Burnell (South-Indian Palæography, pp. 34, 35, and Plate xi.), who classed the alphabet among the Grantha-Tamil alphabets, and expressed the opinion that the document,— distinctly styled by him "a forgery,"— shews the condition of the northern Chêra characters about the tenth century. A most tell-tale character in this record is the l: it is distinctly a Grantha character of a late type; and the only approximation to it, that I can find, is in the Grantha alphabet exhibited by Dr. Burnell in his Plate xiv., and allotted by him to A. D. 1383.

The extraordinary Harihar grant, which, as Mr. Rice himself has said, includes certainly two, if not three alphabets,— or, rather, attempts at alphabets,— is made up of characters which, for the most part, baffle any attempt at serious criticism. It is sufficient to say that among them there are some of the most modern Nâgarî or Bâlbôdh forms,— note particularly the k and y, and the p and m in one of their varieties; and that the fabrication of the record must be placed even later than that of the Tanjore grant. So clumsily dense was the ignorance of the man who concocted it, that the kh and nd of khdndita, line 3, are actually formed backwards. And the nature of the whole document is such that, but for the previously published records, the greater part of it could not have been deciphered at all.

The earlier Mallohalli grant, No. 3, aims throughout at an old type of characters. But they are so indifferently formed, all through, that,—taking this feature in connection with the corruptness of the orthography,—the spurious nature of the record, and its late origin, cannot be doubted for a moment. I am not at present prepared to fix the earliest date possible for the fabrication of it. But I do not doubt that it was concected at least as late as the Merkara grant and the other grant from Mallohalli.

The Merkara grant, purporting to have been issued in A.D. 466, was considered by Dr. Burnell to be "the earliest unquestionable inscription as yet known" (loc. cit. p. 34); and from it he framed what he called a Chêra alphabet of A.D. 467 (see his Plate ii.). But, when Dr. Burnell wrote, comparatively little was known about the palæography of southern and western India. Any practised eye will now see, at a glance, that the record is of much later date than that to which it pretends. And, on closer inspection, it is definitely betrayed by a character which furnishes a leading test in dealing with southern records. The letter kh occurs in it six times, - in khadga and khandita, line 2, in mukhade, lines 24, 26-27, and 29, and in likhitam, at the end; and, in each case, the form that is used is the later or cursive form, which, elsewhere, in Dr. Burnell's tables, appears first in his Plate vi., the alphabet in which is taken from a copper-plate grant of the Eastern Chalukya king Amma II., issued in or soon after A.D. 945 (Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 15, and lithograph; for the kh, see khalu, line 24, åkhyah, line 25, and likhitam, line 64). As a matter of fact, this later form of the kh is carried back to the time of the Råshtrakûta king Amôghavarsha I. (A.D. 814-15 and 876-78): for, though only the earlier form appears in the Sirûr inscription of that king, dated in A.D. 866,2 the later form,and it only,-appears in an inscription of the same king, dated in A.D. 865, at Mantrawâdi near Bankapur.³ But it does not seem at all possible that it can be carried back to before A.D. 804: for, the older form only is used in the Kanarese grant of Gôvinda III., the predecessor of Amôghavarsha I., dated in that year (Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 126, and lithograph; see the words vaisakha, line 2, and likhitam, line 19); and the same form,—the older one,—is the only one which occurs in the record of next earlier date in the same class of characters, viz. the Wokkalêri grant of the Western Chalukya king Kîrtivarman II., dated in A.D. 757 (Ind. Ant. Vol. VIII. p. 23, and lithograph).4 And thus we arrive at the beginning of the ninth century A.D., as the earliest possible period for the concection of the record.5

¹ As regards this record, see, further, page 166 below, under the mention of Vishnugôpa and Mâdbava II.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 215. A lithograph of this record has not been published yet. I quote from the ink-

Here, again, I quote from an ink-impression.

^{*} I have not thought it worth while to spend time in examining the still earlier records in the same class of characters; being quite certain that in them there will be found only the older form of the kh, and also of the b which I have to comment on in connection with the next record.— The facts seem to shew that the introduction of the later or cursive forms of these two characters into epigraphic records was connected with the encouragement that was given to Jain literature in the time of Amôghavarsha I.

It may be noted here that, as the grantees named in spurious charters were probably always real persons, there may be a means of determining the actual date of the fabrication of this record, in the names, which it contains, of Jain teachers belonging to the Dêsiga-Gaṇa in the line of Koṇḍakunda.

In the same way, the later Mallohalli grant, No. 6,— the characters of which are all suspicious enough, even at first sight,— is conclusively betrayed by another tell-tale letter. The form of the b used in it (see labdha-bala, line 2, and other words all through the record) is the later one, which, also, in Dr. Burnell's Tables, appears first in his Plate vi., of the alphabet of A.D. 945 or thereabouts (in the lithograph of the grant of Amma II., on which charter the plate is based, for the b, see, for instance, labdha, line 2, bâlam, line 17, and bandhujana, line 29). Like the later form of the kh, and by precisely the same records, the later form of the b is carried back to the time of Amôghavarsha I.\(^1\) And, in the same way, it cannot be carried back to an earlier date than A.D. 804: for, the earlier form alone occurs in the Kanarese grant of Gôvinda III., dated in that year (see the words brihaspati, line 3, gâmundabbe, line 5, bandalli, line 8, and all the other words in the record that include a b), and throughout the Wokkalêri grant of Kîrtivarman II., of A.D. 757. So, here, again, we have the beginning of the ninth century A.D., as the earliest possible period for the concection of the record.

The characters of the Nagamangala grant follow the early forms almost throughout. They are mostly of very good and uniform execution, - considerably more so than would be thought from the lithograph published with Mr. Rice's paper on this record; and, to shew this and to illustrate my other remarks, I now give a lithograph of plates i. and iii. b, from my own ink-impressions of the original plates, the opportunity of seeing which I owe to Mr. Rice. And, being of an almost isolated type, they might, at first sight, be easily accepted as belonging really to the time to which they refer themselves. But they, again, are betrayed by the way in which the writer dealt with the letters kh and b. Of the kh, the old form appears in khadga and khandita, line 2, åkhyas, line 26, and probably vikhyåta, line 38; but in mukha-makha, line 15, mukhah, line 16, dhanushkhanda and nakha, line 30, akhilam, line 38, mukharita, line 40, akhandita, line 52, khanda, line 58, chhakhyam and duhkham, line 75, and likhitam, line 79, the writer forgot himself, and lapsed into the later form which is subsequent to A.D. 804. So also with the b: the old type is followed in labdha-bala, line 2, and in various other words all through the record; but the writer forgot himself, and gave the later form, subsequent to A.D. 804, in bahala, lines 28-29, âmbara, line 34, balârir (and in the first b of bbahu), line 37, vibudha, line 45, budha, line 48, bâṇa, line 51, babhûva, line 56, bahubhir=bbasudhá, line 76, and brahmadéyam, line 80. And so, here, again, the beginning of the ninth century A.D: is fixed as the earliest possible date for the fabrication of the record; a time which is later by at any rate twenty-seven years than the given date of it.2

Finally, the British Museum grant aims at producing the old type of characters throughout; including even the kh and b. But the execution of them is very indifferent all through; and, with the very marked corruptness of the orthography, and the displacing of portions of the text, which has already been noted, it proves, beyond any possibility of doubt, the spurious

¹ In the Sirûr inscription of A.D. 866, only the older form of the b is used. In the Mantrawâdi inscription of A.D. 865, only the later form occurs. In an undated inscription of the same king at Nidagundi near Shiggaon, the two forms are mixed: the older form occurs mostly; but the later form is found once.

I have said, above, that the characters of this grant are of an almost isolated type. Among published instances, I know none that exactly match them, except those of the spurious grant of Ravidatta from the Coimbatore district (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 362, and lithograph). And the resemblance is so marked, that it seems very likely that the two records were written, for reproduction by the engraver, by the same hand.—There is also a close verbal connection between the spurious Coimbatore grant and the spurious Western Ganga records; the former gives some actual phrases from the latter.—In editing the Coimbatore grant, I expressed the opinion that the date of its concoction might perhaps be placed about the commencement of the eighth century A.D., but certainly no earlier. As, however, it includes the later form of the kh (in mukha, line 4, and chhakhyam and duhkham, line 32), it cannot be placed before A.D. 804.—As in the case of the Merkara grant (see page 162 above, note 5), the means of determining the exact date of the fabrication of the Någamangala grant may exist in the names, mentioned in it, of some Jsin teachers in the Pulikal-Gacnchha of the Eregittûr-Gana in the Naudi-Samgha in the Mûla-Gana.

nature of the record, and a late origin for it. It is not possible that this record can have been framed at any earlier period than that which is established for all the others.

We may turn next to some details which present serious chronological difficulties. The Någamangala grant, purporting to have been issued in A.D. 776-77, belongs to the twelfth generation, inclusive of the supposed founder of the family. Whereas the Merkara grant, purporting to have been issued in a year the equivalent of which is supposed to be,— and in fact must be,— A.D. 466, belongs to the sixth generation. Thus we have three hundred and ten years occupied by only six generations; with the excessive average of more than fifty years apiece,— just double what is usually accepted as the average for purposes of Hindu chronology. And a still more unreasonable average is deduced from the Tanjore grant; for, purporting to belong to the third generation and to be dated in A.D. 248, it gives, up to the Merkara grant, an interval of two hundred and eighteen years, filled by only three generations, with an average of more than seventy years each. Further, the Tanjore, Merkara, Hosûr, and Någamangala grants represent themselves as having been written, at intervals of two hundred and eighteen and two hundred and ninety-six to three hundred and ten years, by one and the same person, Viśvakarman,— a name suspicious enough in itself.¹ And, in some respects at least, the witnesses to both the Tanjore and the Merkara grants, at an interval of two hundred and eighteen years, were absolutely identical.²

As the most convenient way of dealing with certain miscellaneous mistakes, I will now give the historical details that are asserted in these spurious records; noticing, at the same time, as far as I can check them, other items taken by Mr. Rice from extraneous sources.

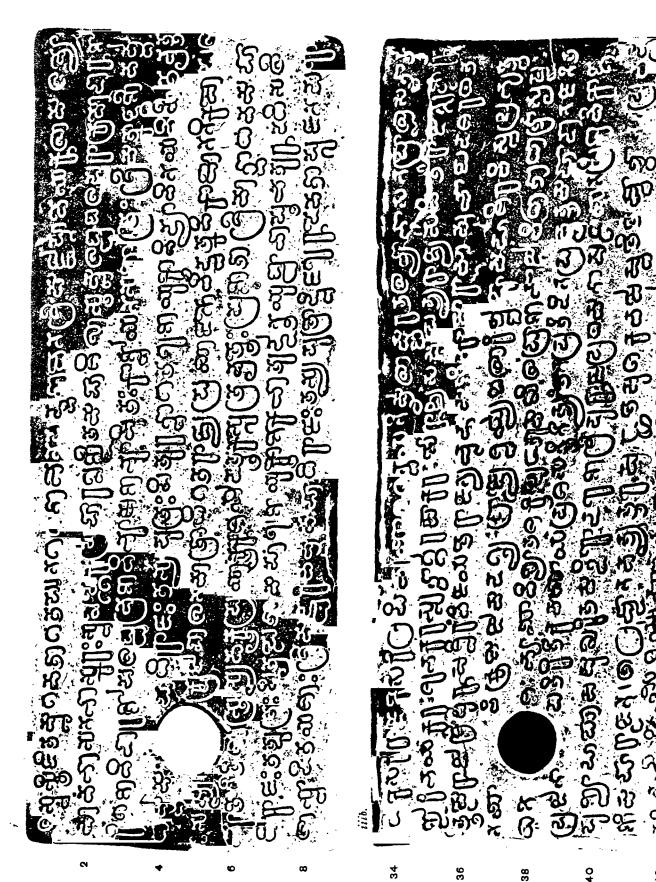
The founder of the family was Konganivarman.³ In an inscription of A.D. 968-69 at Lakshmêshwar, he is said to have had the proper name of Mâdhava; and Mr. Rice has obtained an inscription at Humcha, dated A.D. 1077-78, which, I think, calls him Dadiga-Mâdhava, i.e., apparently, "the portly Mâdhava," his son Kiriya-Mâdhava, and the latter's great-grandson Angâla-Mâdhava. His title appears as Mahârâjâdhirâja in the Tanjore and Harihar grants, but as Mahâdhirâja in all the others: and, in connection with this point, it is to be noted that, whereas the first is a perfectly genuine title, it did not penetrate into Western India until after the time of Pulikêsin II. (A.D. 609-10 to 642), and that the second is a nondescript title which elsewhere occurs only once, in connection with Dharasêna II. of Valabhî, and is, in itself a most suspicious item. He is described as "a sun of the Jâhnavîya family," i.e. of the family belonging or relating to the river Gangâ; as being of the Kânvâyana gôtra; and as having acquired (or exhibited) strength and puissance by severing a large pillar of stone with a single stroke of his sword: and the Mallohalli grant, No. 3, seems to speak of him as "a forest-fire burning the thicket of the Bâṇa kings." The Udayêndiram grant of a Ganga prince named

¹ Mr. Rice says (Coorg Inscriptions, p. 10) that "persons with Indian experience will recognise the fact "that such a name may well be used, as a sort of clan name, by the Panchâla artificers, who invariably claim "affinity with Viśvakarman, the artificer of the gods, and are addressed in ceremonious correspondence as of the "Viśvakarma-vamśa." To this I need only say that, in spite of the very large mass of materials that are now available, no other such instance can be adduced from any epigraphic records; and that Sir Walter Elliot, whom "solution of the difficultly" (Coins of Southern India, p 113).—Sir Walter Elliot's general conclusion was that "neither of them" (neither the grants nor the chronicle) "afford reliable chronological data to determine either the beginning or the end of the dynasty" (loc. cit. p. 115).

² Compare Ind. Ant. Vol. VIII. p. 214, text, lines 41-43, and Vol. I. p. 364, lines 7-9 from the end of the text. This name is also written Kongunivarman, Kongunivarman, and Kongulivarman. It seems to have been a generic name, belonging to every member of the family, rather than a proper name.
⁴ Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 107.

See his Annual Report for 1891; in which he quotes the record as giving the names of two brothers,
 Dadiga and Mådhava, standing at the head of the genealogy.
 Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX p. 306.

⁷ Jahnavi is a name of the Ganges, as the deaghter of the sage Jahnu.— For the Eastern Ganga version of the circumstances under which the family name was acquired, see Ind. Ast. Vol. XVIII. p. 170.



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Rājasimha, otherwise called Hastimalla, a vassal of the Chôla king Parantaka I.,—published by Mr. Foulkes, and allotted by him to about A.D. 920,1- adds the information that his city was Kuvaļālapura, which is the modern Kôlâr, in the east of Mysore, and that his banner was the piñchhadhvaja or banner of a bunch of feathers; and it says that, "while he was yet a little boy, playing at big boys' games, he cut in two a great stone pillar, at a single stroke, with the supple sword which he held in his hand." In connection with the banner thus mentioned, it may be noted that the family crest was an elephant, which appears on the seals of the grants, and is also mentioned in line 7 of the Harihar grant. The Udayêndiram grant further states that the Ganga lineage originated from a saint named Kanva, born in the race of Kâsyapa, and owed its greatness to a certain Simhanandin. Here Mr. Foulkes read mahi[pa], 'king.' And Mr. Rice,on the strength of the mention, elsewhere, and in no connection with the Gangas, of a Jain teacher named Simhanandin, who, in a rather obscure passage, appears to be described as giving to Samantabhadra, while the latter was still a disciple, the sharp sword of meditation on the divine Arhat which breaks, like a line of stone pillars, the army of destructive sins, whereby Samantabhadra broke with his sword the solid stone pillar that barred the road to the acquisition of the goddess of sovereignty, 3 has altered mahipa into munipa, 'saint, or leader of saints,' and has arrived at the conclusion that Konganivarman "was aided, in establishing his kingdom, by his "Guru Simhanandin." He has found some apparent corroboration in the Humcha inscription. And he has finally developed all this into the assertion that Simhanandin presented to Konganivarman a miraculous sword, with which, at one blow, he cut through the stone pillar which was the chief obstacle in the way of his securing the throne.4 But the purely conjectural alteration of makipa into munipa is rather a violent step. And, whatever the Achârya Simhanandin of the Humcha inscription may have done, the Udayêndiram record distinctly implies an interval,- of unspecified but appreciable duration,- between the Simhanandin, who is mentioned in it, and Konganivarman.

His son was Mâdhava I., who in the Humcha inscription is called Kiriya-Mâdhava, 'the younger or lesser Mâdhava.' His title appears as Mahârâjâdhirâja in the Tanjore grant; as Adhirâja which, like the preceding, is a genuine title, in the Mallohalli grant No. 3; and as Mahâdhirâja in all the others. No historical facts are stated in connection with him. But he is said to have been the author of a commentary on the Dattakasâtra,—a work on the law of adoption.

His son was Harivarman, who in the Tanjore grant is called Arivarman. His title appears as $Mah \hat{a}r \hat{a}j \hat{a}dh ir \hat{a}ja$ in the Tanjore grant; in the Mallohalli grant No. 3, as $M \hat{a}r \hat{a}ja$, which is a corrupt form, and a very suspicious and instructive one, of the genuine title $Mah \hat{a}r \hat{a}ja$; and as $Mah \hat{a}dh ir \hat{a}ja$ in all the others. In connection with him, again, no historical facts are stated. But the Tanjore grant indicates that his capital was Talavanapura, which Mr. Rice has identified with Tanjakâd on the Kâvêrî, about thirty miles east by south from the town of Mysore; 5 and Mr. Rice considers that this town continued to be the royal residence from that time onwards: before that time, he says,— on the authority of the Kongudêśa-Râjākkal,— the

¹ Manual of the Salem District, Vol. II. p. 369.— As regards the period of this record, Parantaka I. came three generations before Saka-Samvat 926 (expired), = A. D. 1004-1005 (see South-Ind. Insers. Vol. I. p. 112) and, therefore, closely about A. D. 920.

² This banner is allotted, in the Kalbhavi inscription, to the Ganga chieftain Saigotta-Ganga-Permanadi, and is there called "the banner of the divine Arhat" (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 313).

³ Inscriptions at Sravana-Belgola, No. 54.

^{*} Karnátaka-Sabdánusásanam, Introd. p. 18.— Mr. Rice has suggested (ibid., note; and on previous occasions) that śilástambha may stand for śilastambha, and that there may be an allusion to the overthrow of a column of Asôka edicts. But, as he himself remarks, how an Asôka pillar could stand in the way of the establishment of the Ganga kingdom, is not clear. And the probability is that the passage refers to a ranastambha or jayastambha, 'a pillar of battle or victory,' set up by some other king, and destroyed in the same manner with one of the Maudasôr columns (see Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 254, and Gapta Inscriptions, p. 144).

Mysore Inscriptions, p. xii., and map, p. ixxxiv.

capital was Skandapura, which Lassen has placed at Gajjalhatti on the old ghaut road from Mysore to Trichinopoly. 1

His son was Vishnugôpa, whose title appears as $Mah\hat{a}r\hat{a}j\hat{a}dhir\hat{a}ja$ in the Harihar grant; in the Mallohalli grant No. 3, as $R\hat{a}ja$, which is a genuine title, but not one of paramount sovereignty; and as $Mah\hat{a}dhir\hat{a}ja$ in all the others. The Harihar grant either omits two generations altogether, and makes him the son of Konganivarman; or else it calls Harivarman Konganivarman, and transfers to him the feat of severing the stone pillar, which elsewhere is always attributed to Konganivarman.

His son was Mâdhava II., who in the Humcha inscription is called Angâla-Mâdhava.2 Assuming that he is the king referred to in the Harihar grant, his title appears there as Raja; in all the subsequent records, it is Mahâdhirâja. He is said to have married a sister of the Kadamba Mahâdhirája Krishnavarman; and we now know three Kadamba kings of that name, referable to approximately the sixth century A.D.: but none of the Kadamba records mention such an alliance: and a note which Mr. Rice has given, 3 to the effect that there is a grant of Dêvavarman, son of the Kadamba Mahârâja Krishnavarman, which would place the latter about A.D. 438-39, is altogether misleading; in the record in question, 4 there is no statement of any date, and not even anything that helps to fix its specific period; and the date of A.D. 438-39 for Krishnavarman was arrived at by myself,5- from the spurious Ganga records, and before I recognised their true nature. The Harihar grant gives this Mâdhava the hereditary title of "supreme lord of Kolâla, the best of towns," and describes him as "having acquired the excellent favour of the goddess Padmavati;" and it also mentions him, or another person, as Râjamalla. On these points Mr. Rice himself has remarked: 6-- "No other inscription mentions "him" [i.e. Rajamalla], "and it is doubtful whether this name was used so early. The form "Kolâla, too, is more modern; and the reference to Padmâvatî seems to connect him with the "later kings." It is really remarkable that Mr. Rice should recognise so much, and yet fail to arrive at the proper ultimate conclusions.

His son was Avinîta-Kongani, whose title appears in the Mallohalli grant No. 3 both as Râja and as Mahârâja, and in the subsequent records as Mahâdhirâja. He is said to have married a daughter of the Punnâṭarâja Skandavarman; and corroboration of this statement is supposed to be furnished by the fact that the Kômaralingam grant of Ravidatta mentions a Skandavarman, whose son was named Punnâṭarâja. But the Kômaralingam record contains no mention of any intermarriage with the Gangas; and it is itself a spurious record, of certainly no earlier date than the commencement of the ninth century A.D.8

His son was Durvinîta-Kongani. The Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants give him no title; in the Bangalore grant, he is styled Mahârâja; and, in the Mallohalli grant No. 6 and the British Museum grant, either Râja or Vriddharâja, the latter of which titles is unknown except for these spurious records. The Mallohalli grant No. 6 styles him "lord of the whole of Pânâḍa or Pânnâḍa, and Punnâḍa." He is said to have been victorious in battle at Andari, Âlattûr, Porulare, and Pelnagara, Pernagara, or Pennagara; 9 and to have composed a commentary on

¹ ibid.; and Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 1.

² In Reeve and Sanderson's Kanarese Dictionary, angálu (of which angála is the genitive singular) is given as meaning 'the sole of the foot.'

² Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 2, note 5.
⁴ Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 33.
⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 23.
⁶ Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 2, note 3.

⁷ Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 368.

6 See page 163 above, note 2.

⁹ Pennagara is said by Mr. Rice (Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 3, note 2) to be in the Salem District, at the foot of the Eastern Ghauts. And it is, I suppose, the 'Penagara' which is shewn, in approximately lat. 12° 5', long. 77° 50', in the map given in the Manual of the Administration of the Madras Presidency, Vol. I.—Âlattûr appears in the later Mallohalli grant, No. 6, as Âlantûr. Mr. Rice has suggested (Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 135) that it has a village about ten miles south of the city of Mysore. But there is also an Âlattûr in the Coimbatore district.

fifteen cantos, or on the fifteenth canto, of the Kirâtârjunîya (of Bhâravi). An author named Nripatunga, whom Mr. Rice identifies with the Râshṭrakûṭa king Amôghavarsha I. (A.D. 814-15 to 876-78) says that among previous writers there were Vimala, Udaya, Nâgârjuna, Jayabandhu, and Durvinîta; from which Mr. Rice derives corroborative evidence of the existence of the Western Ganga king Durvinîta.¹ But, granting that the Nripatunga in question is Amôghavarsha I., the statement only proves that there was an author named Durvinîta at some time before about A. D. 850; and there is nothing in it, either to establish any particular date for him, or even to shew that he was a Ganga. An unpublished grant from Hebbûr states that Durvinîta was taught by the author of the Śabdâvatâra; i.e., Mr. Rice says, by Pûjyapâda,— whose date, he holds, is thus established.² Whether this author was the celebrated Pûjyapâda,— what the date of that Pûjyapâda was,— and what, if anything, it may prove in connection with Durvinîta,— I am not at present prepared to consider. But, at any rate, the date which is to be deduced for Durvinîta from these spurious records, has no weight of any kind in determining the date of Pûjyapâda.

His son was Mushkara, whose name appears in the British Museum grant in the form of Mokkara. The same record styles him either Rāja or Vriddharāja; but the Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants do not give him any title. The British Museum grant says that he married a daughter of Sindhurāja, or of the king of Sindhu. The Lakshmêshwar inscription mentions a Jain temple called Mukkaravasati: this may possibly be taken as shewing that, at some time before A.D. 978, there really was a Ganga king or prince named Mushkara, Mukkara, or Mokkara: but it fixes no specific date for him; and it can hardly be said to suffice to prove the genealogy given in the spurious records.

His son was Vikrama or Śrîvikrama,⁴ with whose name, again, the British Museum grant connects the title of *Rája* or *Vriddharája*; the Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants do not give him any title. No historical facts are stated in connection with him.

His son was Bhûvikrama, with whose name the British Museum grant connects the title of Mahâdhirâja; the Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants do not give him any title. He seems to have had the biruda of Śrîvallabha. And he is said to have defeated an unnamed Pallava king, in battle at a place named Vilanda or Vilandha. The British Museum grant says also that he subjugated the whole of the Pallava dominions.

His younger brother was Sivamâra, to whose name the Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants attach the genuine title of Mahârâja. He had the biruda of Nava-Kâma. Also, from a copper-plate grant from Suradhênupura, Mr. Rice gives him the biruda of Nava-Chôka. ⁵ And he further suggests that he may be the Kambayya, supposed to be also called Nava-Lôka, who is mentioned in one of the Śravaṇa-Belgola inscriptions as the son of a king named Śrîvallabha: ⁶ but, from ink-impressions received from Dr. Hultzsch, I am able to say that the true biruda in the inscription in question is Raṇâvalôka; and this, compared with Khadgâvalôka in the case of Dantidurga, is suggestive of a Râshṭrakûṭa king or prince.

The name of Sivamara's son is not given in the Hosûr, Nagamangala, and British Museum grants. And they also state no history in connection with him. But the Udayêndiram grant,— which, as regards the interval, simply tells us that, in the line of Konganivarman, there were Vishnugôpa, Hari, Madhava, Durvinîta, Bhûvikrama, and "other kings,"— seems to name him either as Prithuyasas or as Prithivîpati; and it mentions, in connection with him, a

¹ Karnátaka-Śabdánuśásanam, Introd. pp. 7, 19, 23.

² Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 3, and Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, Introd. pp. 53 and note, 69; see also Karnátska-Śabdánuśasanam, Introd. pp. 18, 19.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 109.

⁴ The following name, ⁴ Bhuvikrama, ⁵ suggests that éré may here be intended to be part of the name. But otherwise it would not be admissible (see Gupta Inscriptions, p. 9, note).

Inscriptions at Sravana-Belgola, Introd. pp. 14, 68. bid.

king named Amôghavarsha. Now, here there is a plain anachronism; for, whereas, according to the Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants, Śivamâra's son came at least fifty years before A.D. 776-77, the earliest Amôghavarsha is the Râshṭrakûṭa king Amôghavarsha I., who commenced to reign in A.D. 814-15.

Śivamâra's son's son was named, according to the Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants, Śripurusha-Prithuvi-Kongani; and they also imply that he had the birudas of Bhimakôpa and Râjakêsarin: but some genuine stone inscriptions disclose the fact that his real proper name was Muttarasa; and Śrîpurusha, therefore, must also be taken as a biruda. The Hosûr and Nagamangala grants both give him the title of Maharaja. Mr. Rice says that his wife was Śrija; but the passage, in the Nagamangala grant, on which this is based, says in reality that the grant was made by the Mahârâjâdhirâja and Paramêśvara, the glorious Jasahita: whether this denotes Śrîpurusha, or someone else, I am not at present prepared to say. The Hosûr and Nâgamangala grants both describe him as having his victorious camp at the town of Mânyapura; which place, whatever it may be, is certainly not the Mânyakhêta of the Râshtrakûtas. And they give for him dates in A.D. 762 and 776-77; the later record also stating that A.D. 776-77 was the fiftieth year of his reign. The Udayêndiram grant, however, which can only be interpreted as naming him as Mârasimha (or else as not mentioning him at all), establishes a considerably later date; it makes him (or else some otherwise unknown brother or cousin) the father of Rajasimha, otherwise called Hastimalla, who received the Bana territory from the Chôla king Parantaka I.; and it thus places him (from either point of view) only one generation before A. D. 920 or closely thereabouts.1

I will take next certain internal evidence in the Merkara record. It mentions, without naming him, the minister of a king Akâlavarsha,3 and says, as far as the text can be properly construed at all, that in A.D. 466 he acquired from Avinîta-Kongani a grant for a Jain temple at the city of Talavanagara; at any rate, it asserts that there was a king named Akâlavarsha in or shortly before A.D. 466. Mr. Rice says that no doubt a Rashtrakuta king is intended; and in this I quite agree. But, on the assumption that every Krishna of the Rashtrakuta family must have borne the biruda Akâlavarsha, he goes on to identify this Akâlavarsha with a Råshtrakûta king Krishna, whose son Indra is said, in the Western Châlukya traditions of the eleventh century A.D., to have been conquered by Jayasimha I., the progenitor of the whole Chalukya stock,4 and who, in accordance with this statement, is to be allotted to about the end of the fifth or the beginning of the sixth century, A.D., -i.e. to a period that approximates to the date put forward in the Merkara grant; and here it is impossible to endorse his views. In the first place, the existence of this early Rashtrakûta king Krishna is purely legendary, and is undoubtedly imaginary. The Western Chalukya records themselves contain no mention of him; and they do not record any specific victories at all by Jayasimha I., who seems, in fact, to have not enjoyed any regal power, and to be quoted simply as the grandfather of Pulikêśin I., the founder of the dynasty. The Rashtrakûta records do not mention him. And, though certain coins have been obtained from the Nasik District, which do give the name of a king Krishna,5 and may be allotted to the period in question just as well as to a somewhat later one, still they contain nothing that refers them to the Rashtrakûta dynasty; and my opinion now is that, in all probability, they are coins of king Krishna, father of Samkaragana, whose existence has recently been brought to notice by a copper-plate grant from Sânkhêdâ in the Baroda State,6 and that this person is an early Kalachuri king. The existence of an early Rashtrakûta king Krishna, referable to approximately the period to which the Merkara grant pretends to belong, depends upon nothing but the tradition which first appears in the eleventh century A.D., after

¹ See page 165 above, and note 1.

³ See the text as given in Coorg Inscriptions, p. 3.

[•] e.g. Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 17.

[•] Epigraphia Indica, Vol. II. p. 22.

id. Introd. p. 9.

⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 68.

the overthrow of the Rashtrakûtas by the Western Châlukya Taila II. And I am certain that the origin of the statement is to be found in the facts that, almost at the end of the Rashtrakûta period, there was a powerful Rashtrakûta king Krishna III., and that he left a grandson, Indra IV., by crowning whom the Western Ganga prince Mârasimha attempted to continue the Råshtrakûta sovereignty after the overthrow of Kakka II. And in the second place,—even granting, for the sake of argument, that there was an early Råshtrakûta king Krishna, belonging to the same period with the Western Chalukya Jayasimha I., and approximating to the date put forward in the Merkara grant; and also that the birudas of the Rashtrakûtas were as constant as Mr. Rice would have them to be,—there must have been a time when each biruda was first devised; and the only sound course in respect of any particular biruda is to take the earliest instance that is actually proved for it. The biruda Akâlavarsha appears first in connection with the Rashtrakûta king Krishna I.2 It belonged subsequently to his descendants Krishna II. and Krishna III. And, intrinsically, any one of these three kings might be the person referred to in the Merkara grant. If that person, however, is Krishna I., who came shortly after A.D. 754, then at the best, the record was written close upon three centuries after the date to which it refers itself; but this identification is rendered impossible by the palæographic evidence, noted above, which fixes about half a century later,— and the third generation after Krishna I.,— as the earliest possible period for the concoction of the record. The date of Krishna II., just after A.D. 878, fits in sufficiently with the paleographic evidence, and, going slightly further, establishes the last quarter, instead of the beginning, of the ninth century A.D., as the earliest possible period to which the fabrication of the Merkara grant can be referred. I think, however, that the mention of a king Akâlavarsha in this record is in reality to be attributed to the fact that the biruda belonged also to Krishna III., whose period was about A.D. 940 to 956, and who had some very special relations with the Western Gangas: by his father Amôghavarsha-Vaddiga, a sister of his was given in marriage to Permânadi-Bûtuga, with, as her dowry, the districts known as the Puligere Three-hundred, the Belvola Threehundred, the Kisukâd Seventy, and the Bâge or Bâgenâd Seventy; 3 he himself confirmed Bûtuga, probably as governor, in the possession of the same districts, as a reward for killing the Chôla king Râjâditya; 4 a son of his own married a daughter of Ganga-Gângêya, i.e. Bûtuga; 5 and Indra IV., by crowning whom Mârasimha sought to continue the Râshtrakûţa sovereignty after the downfall of Kakka II., was the offspring of that marriage. And if this view is accepted, the earliest possible period for the fabrication of the Merkara grant is pushed still further on, to about the middle of the tenth century A.D.

There is also similar evidence in the British Museum grant. In line 56 it gives the name of Kalivallabha, which, there can be little doubt, either denotes the Râshṭrakûṭa king Kalivallabha-Dhruva (just before A.D. 782-84), or else owes its origin to the fact of his having had that biruda

And finally we have to note that, in the four cases in which the dates include details that can be tested by calculation, in not one instance do those details work out correctly. Thus:—

The Tanjore grant purports to be dated in the Prabhava samvatsara, Śaka-Samvat 169 expired, on the new-moon tithi of the month Phâlguna, on Friday, under the Rêvatî nakshatra

¹ This is evidently the real meaning of a passage near the beginning of Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, No. 38, which (id. Introd. p. 19) is rendered differently by Mr. Rice.

² It is established for him by the Paithan grant of Govinda III. of A.D. 794 (page 104 above). In the cases of his descendants Krishna II. and Krishna III., the biruda is well known, from various records.

From an unpublished record. * Epigrophia Indica, Vol. II. p. 174.

⁵ Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, Introd. p. 21.

⁷ I place this point last, because there are undoubtedly some, if not many, genuine records, the dates of which are not correct, but which are not, therefore, to be condemned. When, however, as in the present series, every date is wrong, the point becomes one of very considerable importance.

and the Vriddhi yôga. By the southern luni-solar system only can Prabhaya be connected with Śaka-Samvat 169 expired; and, by that system, it coincided with the given year, which is virtually Saka-Samvat 170 current. The new-moon tithi of the purnimanta Phalguna began on Friday, 11th February, A.D. 248, at about 11 ghatis, 15 palas,=4 hrs. 30 min., after mean sunrise (for Bombay). But, on that day, there was neither the Rêvatî nakshatra, No. 27, nor the Vriddhi yóga, No. 11; at sunrise the nakshatra was Śatatârakâ, No. 24, and the yôga was either Siddha, No. 21, or Sådhya, No. 22. The new-moon tithi of the amanta Phalguna began on Saturday, 11th March, at about 48 gh. 50 p.,=19 hrs. 32 min. The use of the southern luni-solar system of the cycle in this record is itself evidence of comparatively late date; for, the mean-sign system was the one for Southern India, up to at any rate A.D. 804.2

The Harihar grant purports to be dated in the Sâdhârana samvatsara, Śaka-Samvat 272, on the new-moon tithi of Phâlguna, on Sunday. Here, again, the samvatsara can be connected with the given year only by the southern luni-solar system, according to which Sådhârana coincided with Saka-Samvat 272, as an expired year, i.e. with Saka-Samvat 273 current. But the new-moon tithi of the pûrnimânta Phâlguna began on Monday, 11th February, A.D. 351, at about 51 gh. 30 p.,=20 hrs. 44 min.; and the new-moon tithi of the amanta Phalguna ended on Thursday, 14th March, at about 6 gh. 20 p.,=2 hrs. 32 min. Here, again, the use of the southern luni-solar system of the cycle is itself evidence of a comparatively late date. And so also is the fact that the Śaka year is expressed by numerical words; for, the earliest genuine epigraphic instance of this, in India, is the record which gives the date of the coronation of Amma II. in A.D. 945, and the earliest absolutely reliable instance in Western India, known to me, is an inscription of the time of the Western Châlukya king Somêśvara II. at Annîgere in the Dhârwâr district, dated in A.D. 1071.4

The Merkara grant purports to be dated in the year 388, which is taken to be, and can only be, Śaka-Samvat 388, on the fifth tithi of the bright fortnight of Magha, on Monday. But, in Saka-Samvat 388 current, the given tithi ended on Friday, 7th January, A.D. 466, at about 21 gh. 50 p.,=8 hrs. 44 min. And, with Saka-Samvat 388 expired, the given tithi, in Saka-Samvat 389 current, began on Tuesday, 27th December, A.D. 466, at about 7 gh. 45 p.,=3 hrs. 6 min.

And the Hosûr grant purports to be dated in Saka-Samvat 684 expired, in the month Vaisâkha, on Friday, on the occasion of an eclipse of the moon. In this year, however, the full-moon tithi ended on Tuesday, 13th April, A.D. 762; and on this day there was no lunar eclipse.5

It is necessary now to say a few words about the Tamil chronicle, the Kongudéśa-Râjâkkal, which has already been incidentally mentioned. It purports to give an account of twenty-eight kings of the Konga or Kongu country, from four generations before A.D. 82-83 to A.D. 894-95. In many respects it agrees with the grants: so much so that it and they plainly have some very close connection; though, whether the grants were fabricated from the chronicle, or whether the grants having been first concocted, the chronicle, which mentions charters of A.D. 82-83, 178-79, 288-89, 746-47, and 878-89, was put together, with additions from them, or whether all

For this date, see also Ind. Ant. Vol. XVII. p. 241; some of the details given there are, however, superfluous, as no year can possibly be concerned except Saka-Samvat 170 current (169 expired). In such cases as the present ones, it is only necessary to state the beginning or the end of a tithi, whichever fulls on or nearest to the given week-day.

² See Ind. Ant. Vol. XVII. p. 142.

³ That the date is expressed in this way was partially recognised by Mr. Rice (Ind. Aut. Vol. VII. p. 170). The proper reading of the text is Saga-vasa nayana-giri-nayana.

⁴ Sir Walter Elliot's Carnataka-Déta Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 216.

The lunar eclipses of A.D. 762 were on the 15th January and the 10th July (see You Oppolzer's Canon der Finsternisse, p. 355).

were taken from some common source which remains to be discovered, it seems impossible to decide. But it adds some further details, which are sufficiently instructive. According to the grants, the founder of the family was Konganivarman. The chronicle mentions this person; with the date of A.D. 189-90 or 190-91 for his installation, at Skandapura. But it also gives the names of seven previous rulers of the same kingdom, of a different family; and it tells us that they were of the Reddi or Ratta tribe, and belonged to the Sûryayamśa or Solar Race.3 And, not only does it make this pointed statement, but, of these persons, five are distinctly to be identified with members of the Rashtrakûta dynasty of Mâlkhêd, whose dates, far from lying before A.D. 189, fall between about A.D. 675 and 956. The names and relationships of the seven rulers, as given in the chronicle, are-Vîrarâja-Chakravartin, who was born in the city of Skandapura; his son Gôvindarâya; his son Kṛishṇarâya; his son Kâlavallabharâya; his son Gôvindarâya, with the date of A.D. 82-83; his son Chaturbhuja-Kannaradêva-Chakravartin; and his son Tiru-Vikramadêva-Chakravartin, who is said to have been installed at Skandapura in A.D. 178-79, and to have been converted from Jainism to Saivism by the celebrated Sainkaracharya. And the second to the sixth of them are plainly-Gôvinda I. of the Râshtrakûta dynasty (three generations before A.D. 754); his grandson Krishna I.; the latter's son Kalivallabha-Dhruva; Dhruva's son Gôvinda III. (A.D. 782-84 and 814-15); and either Govinda's grandson Kannara-Krishna II. (A.D. 888 and 911-12), or the latter's great-grandson Kannara-Krishna III. (A.D. 940 and 956).3 The placing of these kings before the supposed founder of the Western Ganga family, and in the first and second centuries A.D., establishes at once the utter worthlessness of the chronicle for any historical purposes, whether it is a composition of recent date, or whether it can pretend to any age.4

It is hardly possible, after this detailed exposition, that any genuine doubt can remain as to the spurious nature of the grants, and as to the complete futility, and worse, of placing reliance on either them or the chronicle for any historical or antiquarian purposes. But the question may very reasonably present itself,—What was the object of the invention of the genealogy that is exhibited in these spurious records? And I think that even this can be satisfactorily answered. There are plain indications that, just about the period,— the last quarter of the ninth century A.D.,— that has been established above as the earliest possible one for the fabrication of the Merkara grant, all the reigning families of Southern India were beginning to look up their pedigrees and devise more or less fabulous genealogies. The Purânic genealogy of the Râshṭrakûṭas makes its first appearance in the Sânglî grant of A.D. 933.5 The Purânic genealogy of the Chalukyas presents itself first in the Korumelli grant of shortly

¹ See the extracts from Prof. Dowson's abstract (Jour. R. As. Soc., F. S., Vol. VIII. p. 1 ff.), which are attached to the first account of the Merkars grant (Ind. Ast. Vol. I. p. 360).

² Even this detail is wrong; for the Råshtrakûtas (Raṭṭas) attributed themselves to the Sômavamśa or Lunar Race.

³ The wrong statements of relationship, by which each person is made the son of his predecessor, and the perversion of Kalivallabha into Kâlavallabha, are thoroughly typical features of such a document.— It has been suggested (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 124) that the first Gôvindarâya represents Gôvinda II., son of Krishna I.; and that the proper order of these two names has been transposed. But I see no reason for adopting this suggestion. The composer of the chronicle evidently got hold of some Râshtrakûta record which, as several of them do, started the genealogy with Gôvinda I., and omitted Gôvinda II., who did not reign.— Chaturbhuja-Kannaradêva-Chakravartin may be, as has previously been assumed, Kannara-Krishna II. But, for the reasons given above in connection with the mention of a king Akâlavarsha in the Merkara grant, I think that he is more probably Kannara-Krishna III.

Another document of the same kind (except that it is known to be of absolutely modern date), which has been similarly used for the creation of imaginary history about Mysore, is the Réjévalt-kathe, with its wonderful account, in connection with Śravana-Belgola, of the Śrata-Kévalia Bhadrabâhu and a supposititious grandson, hamed Chandragupta, of Asôka, the grandson of Chandragupta of Pâtaliputra (see Ind. Ast. Vol. XXI. p. 157).

⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 247.

after A.D. 1022.¹ The Chôla Purânic genealogy is, apparently, first met with in the Kalingattu-Parani, which was composed in the reign of the Eastern Chalukya king Kulôttunga-Chôdadêva I. (A.D. 1063 to 1112).² And the Purânic genealogy of the Eastern Gangas of Kalinganagara is first made known by a grant of A.D. 1118-19.³ The Western Ganga prince Mârasimha, who has been already mentioned, and who was a feudatory,— probably half independent,— of the last three Râshtrakûta kings, Krishna III., Khoṭṭiga, and Kakka II., was a person of no small rank and power. Nothing is more likely than that he should follow the general example that was then prevailing. And I think that the Lakshmēshwar inscription, dated in A.D. 968-69,⁴ which actually represents him as the younger brother of a Harivarman who is plainly the person of that name who stands in the third generation in the Table on page 161 above, indicates that he did so, and fixes very closely the time when the Western Ganga genealogy, exhibited in the spurious records, was invented; the inscription in question seems to me to represent, in a rudimentary form, the beginning of a longer genealogy which was elaborated subsequently.⁵

I will, in conclusion, state the exact position which I take up in respect of these spurious Western Ganga records, and of Mr. Rice's writings in connection with them. I believe that any critical mind will admit that my position is the only sound and logical one. And I lay stress on the matter, because, though Mr. Rice has an opportunity in Mysore, such as few people can enjoy, of turning out most valuable historical and antiquarian results, he is spoiling everything that he produces, bearing upon early times, by the manner in which he makes all his results conform to the statements of the spurious records and mistaken traditions that abound in that part of the country; if his writings are to meet with the appreciation and carry the weight that they might easily deserve and bear, it is necessary for him to discard these spurious records and false traditions altogether, and strike out everything that is based on them, and to put forward as history nothing but what rests on authorities that cannot be questioned.

¹ id. Vol. XIV. p. 48, and Vol. XX. p. 274.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 329, and Vol. XX. p. 278. 3 id. Vol. XVIII. p. 165.

⁴ Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 101.— Doubts have been suggested as to the authenticity of this record; on the grounds (see Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 9) that it is followed, on the same stone, by two others which refer themselves to earlier times. I am not prepared to discuss the matter fully; now, at least. But the Ganga record of A.D. 968-69 is in genuine characters of the period; and the only suspicious point about it, to my mind, is that, mentioning Konganivarman, Mådhava I., and Harivarman, it represents Mårasimha as the younger brother of the latter. It is to the following two records which stand after it, written in characters of the same period, that doubt attaches; as to how far they may be true copies of early originals which were probably on copper-plates: Sir Walter Elliot has suggested that they were put on this stone for "the unification of the titles" (Coins of Southern India, p. 114).

⁵ The other Lakshmeshwar inscription of Marasimha, dated in the same year, the Vibhava samvatsara, Saka-Samvat 890 expired (Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 112; the third part of the record), only mentions Konganivarman, and says that in his lineage (tad-anvayê) there was Marasimha.

I am not writing in any unfriendly spirit; and I hope not in an unfriendly style. Also, it does not affect my personal life and surroundings, whether the early Western Gangas of the spurious grants existed or not. But, like others, I have been engaged for a long time in working at the ancient history of India. It seems to me that, if the subject is worth working at at all, it deserves to be treated critically and on sound bases. And what I say as to the effect of Mr. Rice's writings on the period supposed to be covered by the spurious Western Ganga grants, is simply the plain and incontestable truth. The fact is, he did not commence work very auspiciously; having had the misfortune to commence with these spurious records. I feel confident that if, like me, he had had the good luck to start with genuine records, he would not have failed to recognise, eventually if not at once, the worthlessness of the Western Ganga grants, and of some others in respect of which he has similarly gone astray. I readily admit that I myself did not at first detect the spurious nature of the Western Ganga grants. But, for very many years past, the difficulty to me, in connection with them, has been, not the recognition of their true nature, but to put myself in the frame of mind from which they can be imagined to be genuine and to require serious discussion to disprove that view.— Spurious copper-plate grants are not confined to Mysore and its neighbourhood;

Certain statements in the records of the Kadamba king Mrigésavarman, and of the Western Chalukya kings Mangalêsa, Pulikêsin II., and Vinayâditya, do prove that in early times,—during at least the sixth and seventh centuries A.D., - there really was a reigning Ganga family in Western India. But the references are all impersonal; they do not give the names of any individual Gangas. And, while I am ready and eager to accept any such names, for the period in question and for any earlier one, as may be proved by authentic evidence, I cannot fall in with Mr. Rice's view of the matter, which is that, unless I can enlighten him as to who the real Gangas of the period were, I am bound to accept those whom he names from the spurious records that he has produced.\(^1\) I do not deny the possibility of those records containing here. and there a germ of truth; in fact,—as I will shew,—two instances in point can now be quoted to that effect. But the records themselves are spurious, and were not even concocted in the early times to which they refer themselves. The simple contrast, with each other, of the dates which they purport to furnish for Hariyarman and Avinîta-Kongani, - and still more the contrast of those dates with the period which they assert for Śrîpurusha-Prithuvî-Kongani,—is sufficient to prove, either that those dates are false, or else that the pedigree is imperfect, and, consequently, that we are not even in possession of veracious facts recited in spurious documents. And I protest against the fabrication of imaginary history by adopting, wholesale, statements which rest solely upon such utterly unauthentic bases; against dragging in similar spurious records to substantiate them; and against complicating real history, by, for instance, taking the undoubted fact that there was an early Krishnavarman in the Kadamba family, and then using the assertion of the spurious grants that Madhava II., - referable, according to them, to about A.D. 400 to 425,— married a daughter of a Kadamba Krishnavarman, to establish for the genuine Krishnavarman a date which is considerably too early, and is misleading in a variety of connected matters.

As matters stand at present,— out of the names mentioned in the spurious records, the earliest authentic one, in respect of which we have certainty, is that of Śripurusha-Pṛithuvî-Kongaṇi, or, as he may be more appropriately and shortly called, Śripurusha-Muttarasa, who is referable, no doubt, to what is to be called the Western Ganga lineage, and who is to

taking only such as have been already published, and even then excluding those in favour of which any doubt whatever may exist, we have the following from other parts of India :- From Bihar, of Samudragupts, purporting to be dated in the year 9 (Gupta Inscriptions, p. 254); from Kâthiâwâd, of Dharasêna II., Śaka-Samvat 400 (Ind. Ant. Vol. X. p. 277), and of Jâikadêva, Vikrama-Samvat 794 (id. Vol. XII. p. 151); from Kaira, the Baroda State, and Broach, of Dadda II., Saka-Samvat 400, 415, and 417 (id. Vol. VII. p. 61; Vol. XVII. p. 183; Vol. XIII. p. 116); from Khândêsh, of Pulikêśin I. or II., Šaka-Samvat 310 (id. Vol. IX. p. 293); from somewhere in the Kanarese country, of Pulikêšin I., Šaka-Samvat 411 (id. Vol. VII. p. 209); from Ratnagiri, of Pulikêšin II., of his fifth year (id. Vol. XIV. p. 330); from Dhârwâr, of Vikramâditya I., Śaka-Samvat 532 (id. Vol. VII. p. 217). and the grant of Bûtuga now edited; and from Udayêndiram in the North Arcot district of the Madras Presidency, the grant of Nandivarman (id. Vol. VIII. p. 167, and page 142 above). But Mysore, with some neighbouring parts, has been especially productive of them, including some of the most barefaced specimens. Thus, in addition to the nine Western Ganga grants, we have, from Combatore, the grant of Ravidatta (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 362); and from Mysore itself, the Mudyanur grant of Malladeva-Nandivarman, purporting to be dated Saka-Samvat 261 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 172), the Bangalore grant of Vîra-Nonamba, Saka-Samvat 366 (id. Vol. VIII. p. 94); the Hosûr grant which purports to give the name of a daughter, Ambêrâ, of Pulikêsin II. (id. Vol. VIII. p. 96, with a lithograph in Vol. IX. p. 304); and the Anaptpur or Gauja, Bêgûr, Bhîmankatti or Tîrthahalli, Kuppagadde, and Sorab grants of Janamêjaya, which pretend to be nearly five thousand years old (id. Vol. I. pp. 375, 377; Vol. III. p. 268; Vol. IV. p. 233; Vol. VIII. p. 91; and Mysore Inscriptions, pp. 232, 238, 251).

See Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 10.— I might just as reasonably attempt to name the unnamed leaders of the Chôla, Pândya, Kêrala, Kalabhra, Chêra, and other families of the period.

² e.g. the spurious Commatore grant, which I have disposed of above (page 163, note 2), and the spurious Mudyanur grant, purporting to have been issued by a Bana king named Malladeva-Nandivarman in A.D. 338 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 172), which Mr. Rice has quoted (Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, Introd. p. 44) as proving the existence of Bana kings in the beginning of the third century A.D. This Bana grant is betrayed by, amongst other things, the use of the later form of the kh, which was subsequent to A.D. 804.

² Mysore Inscriptions, pp. xxxvii., xxxix., and Coorg Inscriptions, Introd. p. 2, note 5.

be placed in the eighth or ninth century, A.D., - say, pending more precise discoveries, somewhere in the period A.D. 750 to 850. His existence and period are proved, not by the spurious grants, but by stone inscriptions at Talakad, Sivara, and Sivarpatna, - unquestionably genuine, but unfortunately not dated,- of which Mr. Rice sent me photographs with the object of inducing my admission, which I give without hesitation, of the genuine existence of at any rate one of the persons named in the spurious records. The Talakad inscription, which speaks of Srîpurusha-Muttarasa as the Mahârâja Prithuvî-Kongani-Muttarasa-Śrîpurusha, and describes him as reigning as paramount sovereign, would have been, in itself, quite sufficient to establish him as a historical personage. And, being engraved in remarkably fine characters which are attributable to any period about A.D. 800,1 it makes it quite possible that the fabricator of the Hosûr and Nâgamangula grants had available, or hit off, true dates for him. But it contains no hint of the genealogy that is given in the copper-plate grants; nor do the others; and so, of course, these records do not substantiate either that genealogy, or any of the supposed facts that are stated in the course of it. There is, indeed, one other name, which may perhaps be placed before that of Śrîpurusha-Muttarasa: for, a genuine but undated stone inscription at Dêbûr in the Nañjangûd tâlukâ, Mysore, engraved in well-formed characters of just about the same period, mentions a Sivamara, and, without connecting any title with his name, describes him, also, as reigning as paramount sovereign;2 and the existence of a king named Śivamâra, either just before or just after Srîpurusha-Muttarasa, and referable to the same lineage with him, is, therefore, also proved. But this record, again, contains no genealogical information; and so it does not help us to decide whether this Sivamara is the person who according to the Sudi grant 3 was the father, and according to the Hosur and Nagamangala grants was the grandfather, of Śrîpurusha-Muttarasa, or whether he is the person whom the Sadi grant represents as a son of Śripurusha-Muttarasa.4 Thus, the existence of one at least. and perhaps two, of the persons named in the spurious charters purporting to belong to the earlier period, and referable approximately to the period that is made out for one of them by those charters, is now established. And, taking the later period as represented by the spurious Sûdi grant, a genuine but undated stone inscription from Doddahundi in Mysore, now in the Bangalore Museum,6 establishes the existence, in just about the same period, but probably

I tincludes the old form of the b; as also does one of the Sivarpatna records. I do not find the later form of the kh or the b in any of the records in question, four in number.— I would make here a remark on an incidental point of some importance. The photographs suffice to shew the general standard of these records well enough. But they do not represent the originals faithfully and intelligibly; the reason being that, for photography, the letters were filled in, either with paint or with whitewash, by hand. This practice cannot be too strongly sondemned; it distorts the characters, introduces mistakes, and frequently renders it quite impossible to decide what the originals really contain. The ancient records, when studied from reproductions, can be properly appreciated and understood only from reproductions which are purely mechanical.

² Here I write on the authority of an ink-impression, which Mr. Rice kindly sent for my inspection. The impression is not very clear; but the record appears not to include the letters kh and b in either form.

See the Table on page 177 below.

The name Sivamāra occurs also in one of the Sivarpaṭṇa inscriptions of Śripurusha-Muttarasa. But here, again, there is nothing to help us to decide the question of identity.— Mr. Rice has also sent me photographs of a copper-plate charter which purports to have been issued by the Śivamāra who is represented as either the father or the grandfather of Śripurusha-Muttarasa. It styles him the Mahārāja Śivamāra-Prithivi-Kongani. And it purports to have been issued in the month Jyēshtha (May-June), falling in A.D. 713, of the thirty-fourth year of his reign, Śaka-Samvat 635 expired. But this, again, is a spurious record. Like some of the other records, it purports to have been written by Viśvakarman; and it seems, as a matter of fact, to have been written by the very person who wrote the Nāgamangala record. And, as regards the palæographic test of the two specially tell-tale characters, though the old form of the b is used throughout, the later form of the kh is used all through, except in one solitary instance.

⁵ I write here on the authority of a photograph which Dr. Hultzsch kindly sent me. This record contains the old form of the kh; the letter b does not appear in it at all. As regards general features, the characters seem slightly later than those of the genuine records of Śrîpurusha-Muttarasa and Śivamāra.

after the two persons mentioned above, of a king named Nîtimârga-Kongunivarma-Permânadi, with the title of Mahârâjâdhirâja, and his son Satyavâkya-Permânadi, who are undoubtedly referable to the same lineage, and may perhaps be identified with the Ereganga-Nitimarga-Kongunivarman and his son Râjamalla-Satyavâkya-Kongunivarman who are mentioned in the continuation of the genealogy as given in the Sûdi grant. So, also, the existence of a person named Bûtuga, who is to be identified with the Jayaduttaranga-Bûtuga of the Sûdi grant, is a fact; and we have for him an authentic date, A.D. 949-50, which approximates closely to the date given for him by that grant. And very possibly some other authentic names, with dates, may be identified with names mentioned in that grant. But further inquiries in this direction would be beyond the scope of the present paper. We are dealing now with the spurious charters which purport to belong to the earlier period. And the point with which we are concerned here, is simply that the existence of one at least, and perhaps two, of the persons named in those records, viz. Srîpurusha-Muttarasa and Sivamâra, is now established, and that to the first-mentioned of them there may quite possibly belong the actual dates that are given for him by two of those records. But we have still to bear in mind that even this does not suffice to establish the truth of anything else that is stated in the records in question; the records themselves are so clearly spurious, that nothing at all, put forward in them, can be accepted without similar corroboration from extraneous sources. If similar authentic evidence, establishing any other portions of the alleged earlier history, can be produced, by all means let it be produced; no one will welcome it more than I shall. But the spurious records will remain spurious. And of one thing I am sure, - that, unless it upsets in some way or other the genealogy that is asserted in those records, nothing will ever be obtained to establish the dates of A.D. 248 and 466, which they give for Harivarman and Avinîta-Kongani.

It only remains to say a few final words about the contents and nature of the spurious Sûdi grant, which is now published.

The genealogy given in it agrees with the Tanjore and other grants, up to the mention of Bhuvikrama. The continuation of it, from him onwards, is shewn in the Table on page 177 below; together with the historical items, real or fictitious, which it connects with some of the names. It is to be noted that this record differs from the others, in making Sivamara the son, instead of the younger brother, of Bhûvikrama; and in representing Śrîpurusha as the son, instead of the grandson, of Sivamara. As, however, the grants from which it differs are all spurious, and it is also itself spurious, it would be superfluous to do more than simply draw attention to the discrepancies. From Sripurusha onwards, the genealogy, with most of the historical statements, remains to be verified or disproved. At present, I can only say that the genealogy does not seem to agree with that furnished by some records for the same period, which Mr. Rice has had under examination ! that the Rashtrakûta records give no indication of an intermarriage with the Gangas in the time of Amôghavarsha I., who is plainly the king whose daughter Gunaduttaranga-Bûtuga is said to have married; and that it is curious that the record makes no mention of Ereyappa and his son Râchamalla, though it was by killing the last-mentioned that Jayaduttaranga-Bûtuga, otherwise called Permânadi-Bûtuga, secured the Gangavâdi province.2

The record does contain references to two real historical events: the marriage of Jayaduttaranga-Bûtuga with a daughter of Baddega, i.e. the Râshtrakûta king Amôghavarsha-Vaddiga (between A.D. 912 and 940); and the victory over the Chôla king Râjâditya. And it gives a perfectly possible date for Jayaduttaranga-Bûtuga, in A.D. 938.3

¹ See, e.g., Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, Introd. pp. 68, 69, Nos. 14 to 19.

² Epigraphia Indica, Vol. II. p. 173.

The date of A.D. 949-50 is established for him by the Atskur inscription (Epigraphia Indica, Vol II. p. 169.)

But I believe it to be a spurious grant; partly because of the type of the characters, and partly because the date does not work out correctly. As regards the characters, lithographs of the Old-Kanarese alphabet of Western India of this period have not as yet been published; and, accordingly, I cannot justify my objections in detail. But the characters present a decidedly later general appearance than those of the Atakûr inscription, and of any records that I am acquainted with, belonging to within fifty years or so of the asserted date of this record. And they also seem to me to be distinctly more modern than those of the Korumelli grant of Râjarâja I., which was issued in or after A.D. 1022 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 48, and lithograph) They strike my eye as being perceptibly not early enough for the date to which they purport to belong. And, this being so, the fact that the details of the date do not work out correctly is decidedly a strong point against the authenticity of the record.

TEXT.1

First Plate.

- Śrîr²=vvibhâti niravady[â] nirat[y*]ayâ tasmai suvî(dhî)r=yyasya namô=rhatê
- bhagavatâ. [gata*]-ghanalôka-hita-dharmm-opadésinê || Jita m* ga[ga]n-âbhê-
- Śrîmaj-Jahnavêya3-kuļ-â[ma]ļa-vyôm-âva-Padmanâbhêna [||*] 3 na bhâsana-bhâskarah ||4
- sva-khadg-aika-prahâra-khaṇdita-mahâ-śilâstaṁbha-labdha-bala- p a r â k r a m ô dârun-â-
- ri-gaṇa-vidâraṇ-ôpalabdha-bra(vra)ṇa-vibhûshaṇa-bhûshitaḥ K[á*]nvâ-
- yana-sagôtra[h*] śrîmat-Komgunivarmma-dharmmamahârâjâdhirâjah [||*]
- pitur=anvâgata-guṇa-yuktô |6 Tat-putrah |5 vidyâ-vinaya-vihita-vrittih
- samyak-prajâ-pâļana-mátr-âvi(dhi)gata-râjya-prayôjanò vidvat-kavi-kâm-
- nehana?-nikashôpala-bhûtò nîti-śâstrasya vaktri-prayôktri-kuśalô dattakasû-
- śriman-mahâ 8râjàdhirâjah (| |) Ôm9 10 tra-vrittêl(h)=pranêtâ Tatputra[h*] pitri-paitâ-
- maha-guṇa-yuktô=nêka-châ(cha)tu[r]ddan[t]a-yuddh-[â*]vâpta-chatu-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 12 r-udadhi-saļiļ-âsvâdita-yaśâh śrîm[â*]n Harivarmma-mahâdhirâjah [||*]
- Vishņugôpa-mah[â*]dhirâjaḥ [||*] 13 Tat-putrah śrîmân Tatputrah
- sva-bhuja-bala-parákrama-kraya-kr[î]ta-râjyah Kaliyuga-bala-pank-âva-
- sanna-dharmma-vrish-oddharana-nite(tya)-sannaddhah śrîmân=**Mâdhava**mahádhirájah ((1)) Öm
- Tat-putra[h*] śrimat-Kadamba-kuļa-gagana-gabhastimālinah Kṛipa(shṇa)varmma-sa(ma)-
- 17 hâdhirâjasya priya-bhaginêyô vidyâ-vinaya-paripûrit-â-

² Metre: Slôka (Anushtubb). ¹ From the original plates.

⁸ Read juhnaviya.

^{4, 5, 6} These marks of punctuation are unnecessary.

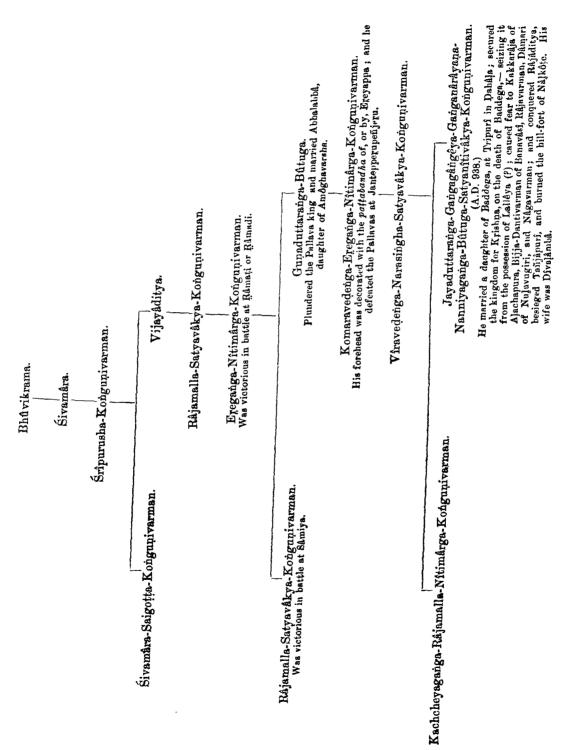
⁷ Read kanchana.

⁸ Read śriman-madhava-mahao, according to the Nagamangala grant, line 11.

⁹ Represented, here and throughout, by a plain symbol.

¹⁰ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

The later Western Gangas, according to the spurious Sûdi plates.



- 18 ntarâtmâ niravagraha-pradhâna-śauryyô vidyatpu¹ prathama-gaṇya[ḥ*] śrîmân
- 19 Komguṇivarmma-va(dha)rmmamahârâjâdhirâja-pu(pa)ramêšvaraḥ śrîmad-Avinîta-prathama-
- 20 nâmaja(dhê)yaḥ [||*] Tat-putrô vijrimbhamâṇa-śakti-trayaḥ Andari-Âlattûr-Purulare²-Perṇṇa-
- 21 **gar-**âdy-anêka-samara-mukha-makha-h $[u^*]$ ta-prahata-śûrapurusha-pa
śûpahâra-vigha-
- 22 sa-vihasti(sti)krita-Kritânt-Âgni-mukhaḥ Kirâtârjunîyasya pañchadaśa-sargga-tîkâkâra[ḥ*]

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 23 śrimad-[D*]urvvinîta-prathama-nâmadhêyaḥ [||*] Ôm Tat-putrò durddânta-śa(vi)mardda-mṛiditê(ta)-viśva[m]bharâ-
- 24 ri(dhi)pa-mô(man)li-mâḷ[â*]-makaranda-pu[m*]ja-pi[m*]jarîksha(kri)y a m âna-charaṇayugala-nalinah śrî-[Mushka]ra-³
- 25 prathama-nâmadhêyah I(II) Ôm Tat-putraś=chaturddaśa-vidyâsthân-âdhigatê-ramala⁴-matir=vviśêshatô [ni]ra-
- 26 vasêpa(sha)sya nîti-sâstrasya vak[tṛi]-prâyâ(yô)ktṛi-kuśaļô ripu-timira-nikara-sarakaruṇ⁵-ôdaya-bhâ-
- 27 skaraḥ śrî-Vikrama-[pra]thama-nâmadhêyaḥ [||*] Ôm Tat-putrâ(trô) = nêka-samara-samprâpta-vijaya-
- 28 lakshmî-lakshita-vaksha[h*]sthalah samadhigata-sakala-śâstr-ârtha[h*] śrî-Bhûvikrama-prathama-
- 29 prathama⁶-nâmadhêyaḥ [||*] Ôm Tat⁷-putraḥ svakîya-rûp-âtiśaya-vijî(ji)ta-Naļa-bhûp-i(â)-
- 30 kâraś=Śivamâ[ra-prathama-nâ*]madh[ê*]yaḥ⁸ [||*] Ôm Tat-putraḥ pratidina-pravarddhamâna-mahâdâna-janita-puṇyô
- 31 hasula⁹-mukharita-Mandar-ôdaraḥ śrî-**K**omguṇivarmma-dharmmamahâ-râjâdhirâja-paramêśvaraḥ
- 32 Śrîsu(pu)rusha-prathama-nâmadhêyaḥ ((||) Tat-putrô vimaļa-Ga[m*]gânvaya-nabha[ḥ*]sthaļa-ra(ga)bhastimāļî śrî-Kom-
- 33 guṇivarmma-dâ(dha)rmmamahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvaraḥ śrî-Ś[i*]va-mâradêva¹¹-prathama-nâmâdhayaḥ¹¹

¹ Read vidvateu.

In the Någamangala grant, line 15, the real reading is alattur-porulare; not alattup-paurulare, as published. The 'Purulare' of the present grant may be a variant of 'Porulare;' or the u may be a mistake for an o, which was intended to be formed like the ô in vidâran-ôpalabdha, line 5.— The Någamangala grant gives 'Pelnagara,' instead of the 'Pernagara' of the present text.

² The two aksharas in brackets are supplied from the Nagamangala grant, line 18; they are quite illegible in the present grant.

^{*} Read adhigata-vimala. 5 Read nikara-nirakaran.

 $^{^{5}}$ This word is repeated unnecessarily. 7 The shape of this t is altogether anomalous.

⁸ The text is completed from the Nagamangala grant, line 28-29, according to the real reading of it.

⁹ Some correction seems necessary here; but the nature of it is not apparent to me, unless hasula is a pure mistake for hasana. It is just possible that the syllables kāra, at the beginning of line 30, have been misplaced and properly belong here; that the intended reading there was "nala-bhūpai=śivamā"; and that the word humkāra should be found here.

¹⁰ There can be little doubt, if any, that the first syllable of this word was intended to be \$i\$, not \$ia\$.

¹¹ Read namadhêyah.

- 34 Śaigoṭṭ-âpara-nâmâ [||*] Tasya kanîyân śrî-Vijayâdityaḥ |(||)
 Ra(ta)t-putras=samadhigata-râjya-
- 35 lakshmî-pa(sa)mâlimgita-vakshâh Satyavâkya-Komgunivarmma-dharmmamahârâjâdhirâ-

Third Plate; First Side.

- 36 ja-paramêśvara[ḥ*] śrî-**Râjamalga(lla)-**pra[tha*]ma-nâmadhêyas=Tatputraḥ **Râmaṭi(?di)-**samara-saṁhâ-
- 37 lpi(ri)t-ôdâra-vairi-vi(vî)rapurushô Nitimârgga-Komgunivarmma-dharmmamahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara[h*]
- 38 śrîmad-**Ele(re)gamgadêva-**prathama-nâmadhêyaḥ [||*] Ôm Tat-putraḥ Sâmiya-samara-samjanita-vija-
- 39 [ya*]-śrîḥ śrî-**Satyavâkya-Komgunivarmma-**dharmmamahârâjâdhirâjaparamêśvara[ḥ*] śrî-**R**âjamalla-¹
- 40 prathama-nâmadhêyaḥ |(||) Ôm Tasu(sya) kanîyân nirllôri(ṭhi)ta²-Pallav-âdhipaḥ śrîma[d-A*]môghavarshadêva-
- 41 prithvîvallabha-sutayâ³ śrîmad-**Abbalabbâyâl(ḥ)=**prâṇ-êśvara[ḥ*] śrî-Bûtuga-prathama-nâ-
- 42 madhêyah Guṇad-uttaramgah ((||) Ôm Tat-putrah 15 Ele(re)yappa-paṭṭabandha-parishkrita-lalâ[mô] Ja(?ba)m-
- 43 tepperupemjeru-prabhriti-yuddha-prabandha-prakavi(ti)ta-Pallara(va)-parâjaya[h*] śrî-[Ni]t[im]ârga-
- 44. Ramgini⁶varmma-ra(dha)rmmamahârâjâvi(dhi)râja-paramêśvara[ḥ*] śrî-mad-Ele(re)gamgadêva-prathama-nâmadhêyaḥ
- 45 Komara-vedemgah |(||) Ôm Tat-putra[h*] śrî-Satyavâk[y]a-Komguṇivarmma-dharmmamahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara[h*]
- 47 tonniraga-śrî⁷-Nîtimârgga-Komgunivarmma-dharmmamahârâ j â d h i r â j a paramêśvara[b*] śrî-B[âjama ?]lla-
- 48 prathama-nâmadhêyah | Kachcheya-Gamgah |(||) Ôm Vri(vri)⁸ [||*] Tasy⁹=ânujô nija-bhuj-ârjjita-sampa[d-ar]tth[ô]

Third Plate; Second Side.

- 49 bhûvallabha[m*] samupagamya La(ḍa)hâļa-dêśê śrî-Baddegam tad=anu ta-
- 50 sya sutâm sah=aiva vâk-kanyayâ vyavahad=uttavi(ma)-dhîs=**Tripu-**
- 51 ryyâm [||*] Api cha || Lakshmîm¹⁰=Indrasya harttum gatavati divi yad-Baddeg-âmkî(kê)

¹ The second akshara of this name is damaged; but it can be distinctly recognised as ja, not cha. In line 36 above, the same name occurs, and the aksharas are not damaged at all.

² Apparently, nirllunthita would be a more correct form.

Read sutâyáh.

In this biruda the first part is the Kanarese genitive gunada. We have other such genitives in kackcheya, line 48, jayada, line 64, and nanniya, line 66.

This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

⁶ Read komguni. 7 Or, perhaps, conniral iric.

⁵ i.e. opilion. 9 Metro : Vasantatilaka.

Metre: Sragdhara; and in the next verse.

- \mathbf{mah} isê h ri* två Lal[1?]êya-hastât=kari-turaga-sitachchâtral-ni(si)m-
- kshit[i*]-pati-gananâsv=a-53hâsanâni | pra[da]t Krishnâya râjñê
- granîr=yyal(h)=pratâpât râjà śrî-Bûtug-âkhyas=samajani viji-
- kinna² t-ârâti-chakrah=prachandah 11 Kamchâtah n=âgâd= Alachapura-patih
- Kakkarâjô=ntakasya Bijj-âkhyô Dantivarmmâ yuni(dhi) nija-Banavâsî tva-
- 57 ma³ Râjavarmmâ śântatvam śânta-dêśô Nuluvu-giri-patir=Ddâmarir= ddarppa-bhamga[m*]

Fourth Plate; First Side.

- maddhyê=ntam Nagavarmma bhayam=atirabhasâd=Gamga-Gâmgêya-bhû-
- Râjâditya4-narêśvara[m*] gaja-ghat-âtòpêna sandarppita[m*]
- 60 jitv=âdêśata êva gandugamahâ niddhôtya⁵ / Tamjâpurîm Nâlkôte-
- pramukh-âd[r*]i-durgga-nivahân dagdhvâ gajêndrân hayân Krishņâ-
- ya prathitamn=dhanam⁶ svayam=adât śrî-Ga[m*]ga-Nârâyaṇaḥ [||*]
- 63 Aryyâ || Ekântamada(ta)7-mad-ôddhata-kuvâdi-kumbhîndra-kumbhasambhêdam ||(|)
- 64 naigama-nay-âdi-kuliśair-akarôj-Jayad-uttaramga-nṛipaḥ || Gadyam ||
- Satyanî tivâkya-Komguni varmma-dharmmamahârâjâdhirâja paraméśvara[h*]

Fourth Plate : Second Side.

- 66 srî-Bûtuga-prathama-nâmadhêyô Nanniya-Gamgah shannavati-
- sahasram=api Gamga-mandala[m] pratipalaya(ya)n Purikara-p[u*]rê kri-
- 68 t-âvasthânam(h) Sa(sa)ka-vari[sh]êshu8 shashty-uttar-âshta-[śa]têshu atikrâmtêshu Vikâ-
- ni(ri)-samvatsara-Kâ[r]tt[i]ka-Nandîsva(śva)ra-su(śu)kla-pakshah tamyâm⁹ Âdityavârê
- 70 [svak]îya-priyâyâh samyagda[r*]śana-viśuddhatayâ pratyaksha-dhai(dai)-
- śrîmad-Divalambikayah 71 vatyâh chaityâlayâya Suldhâtavî-sa-
- ptati-grâma-mukhya-bhûtâyân=nagaryyâm Sûndyâm vinirmmâpitâ-
- ya khaṇḍa-spu(sphu)ṭita-navakarmm-ârttha[m*] pûjâ-karaṇ-ârttham=âhârârtham
- 74 cha shat=śrâ(śra)manyô janân=dâna-sanmân-âdinâ santarppy=ôttaradiśâyâm

Fi/th Plate.

- shashti-nivarttanam 75 râja-mânêna dandêna śrîmad-Vadi (? ti)yûr-gganamukhva-
- Nâgadêva-paṇḍitâya¹⁰ 76 sya sva[ya]m=êva pâdô(dau) prakshâdya(lya) Sûndyâm dattavân [][*]

5 Read nirddhátya.

¹ Read sitachchhattra.

Possibly the intended reading was kim=ch=atah kin=nu. The whole verse, however, is a rather unsatis-

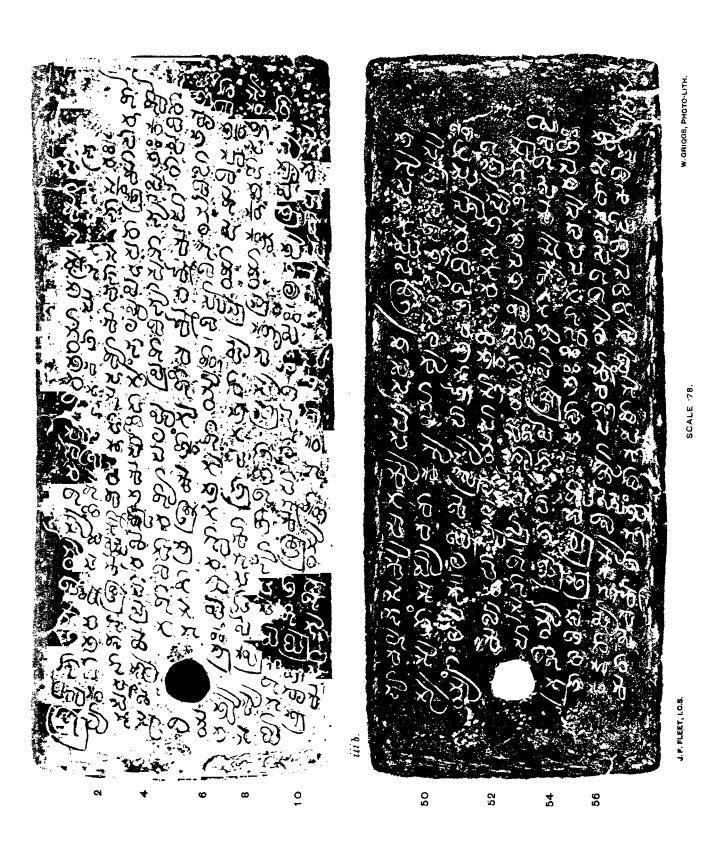
³ This seems to require correction into banavasi in traram (for traritam).

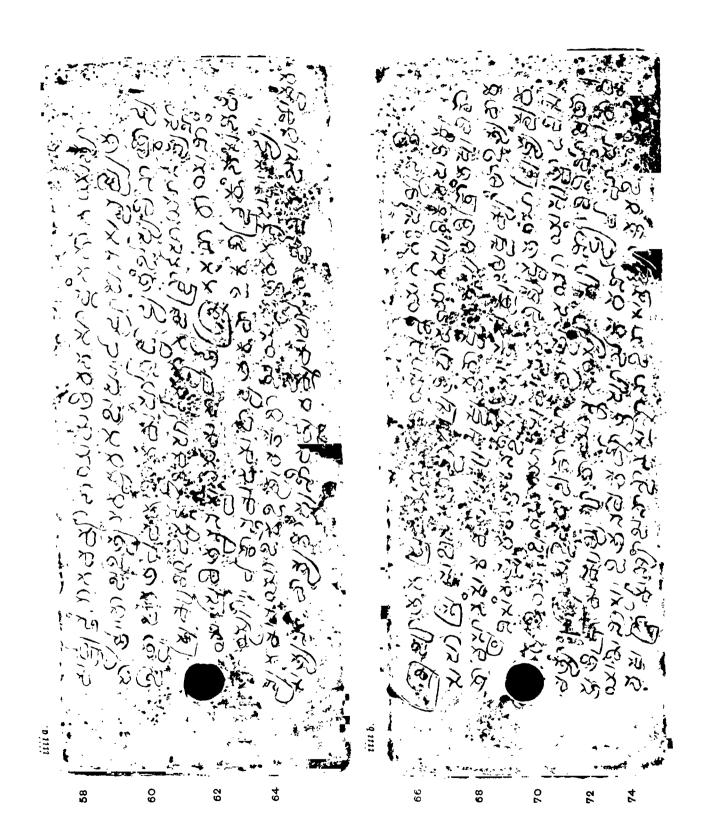
Metre Sardulavikridita 6 Read prathitam dhanam, or prathitan=dhanam.

⁷ Metre : Arya; as stated in the text itself.

⁸ Read varshêshu.

⁹ Read paksh-ashtamyam. 10 Read panditasya.





- 77 Tasy-âghaṭa¹ pûrvvataḥ mânasimga-key-dakshiṇataḥ pannasinabhûmih pa-
- 78 śchimatah ke(?ko)ppara-polam uttaratah Bâlugêriya banda² pallam [il*] Aruvanam gadyâ-
- 79 na-trayam grâmô dîyatê=sêha³-kramam grâmô rakshati ||
- 80 Sâmânyô⁴=yam dharmma-sêtu[r*]=nṛipânâm kâļê-kâ**ļ**ê **pâḷanîyô** bhavadbhih sarvvân=ê-
- 81 tâm(n) bhâvinah pârtthivêndrô(ndrân) bhûyô-bhûyô yâchatê Râmabhadrah || Bahubhir⁵=vvasu-
- 82 dhâ bhuktâ râjabhis=Sagar-âdibhi[ḥ*] yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis= tasya -tasya tadâ phalam ||
- 83 Suldhâṭavî⁶-saptati-mukhya-Sûṇḍyâm=achîkaraṁ Jêna⁷-gṛihaṁ pra-siddhaṁ pad-grâmaṇî..
- 84 shti⁸-vidhâna-pûrvvam śrî-**Dîvaļ[â*]**mbâ jagad-êka-Rambhâ |(||) Ôm Ôm || Ôm ||

TRANSLATION.

Reverence to that Arhat,—the teacher of the religion which is beneficial to the world,—whose glory is resplendent as including the possession of wisdom, as being faultless, (and) as being free from any wasting away!

- (Line 2.) Victory has been achieved by the Divine One, Padmanâbha, who resembles (in the colour of his body) a cloudless sky!
- (L. 3.)— (There was) the glerious Kongunivarman, the pious Mahārājādhirāja, who was a very sun irradiating the clear sky which is the illustrious Jāhnavîya family; who acquired strength and puissance by severing a great pillar of stone with a single stroke of his sword; who was adorned with the decoration of wounds received in cleaving asunder a host of cruel foes; (and) who was of the Kāṇvāyana gôtra.
- (L. 7.)— His son, endowed with virtues that imitated (those) of (his) father, (was) the glorious Mahârâjâdhirâja [Mâdhava (I.)*], whose behaviour was regulated by learning and modesty; who attained the objects of sovereignty by doing nothing but properly protecting (his) subjects; who was a very touch-stone for testing the gold that is learned men and poets; who was skilled among those who expound and apply the science of politics; (and) who was the author of a commentary on the Dattakusûtra.
- (L. 10.)— Om! His son, endowed with the virtues of (his) father and father's father, (was) the glorious Mahâdhirâja Harivarman, whose fame was flavoured by the waters of the four oceans which were acquired¹⁰ in many fights of four-tusked elephants.
 - (L. 13.)—His son (was) the glorious Mahâdhirâja Vishņugôpa.
- (L. 13.)—His son (was) the glorious Mahâdhirâja Mâdhava (II.), who bought the sovereignty with the price of the strength and puissance of his own arm, (and) who was ever ready to extricate the bull, Religion, which is sunk in the mud of the violence of the Kali age.
- (L. 15.)— Ôm! His son,— the dear sister's son of the Mahadhiraja Krishnavarman, who (was) the sun of the sky that is the glorious Kadamba family,— (was) the glorious

¹ Read aghatah.

² This is the Kanarese past relative participle. The preceding word has the Kanarese genitive termination.

Read dadáty=aśésha. 4 Metre: Śâlinî. 5 Metre: Śloka (Anushtubh).

⁶ Metre: Upajāti of Indravajrā and Upêndravajrā. 7 Read achtkaraj=jaina.

⁵ The intended reading serms to be shat-śrâmanêr-êshti.

⁹ See page 176 above, note 8. ¹⁰ i.e." sovereignty extending to which was acquired."

- Kongunivarman, the pious Mahârājādhirāja, the Paramēśvara, possessed of the first name of "the glorious Avinîta," whose soul was completely filled with learning and modesty; whose valour was chiefly characterised by being irresistible; (and) who was worthy to be reckoned first among learned men.
- (L. 20.) His son (was) he who had the first name of "the glorious Durvinîta;" whose three constituents of regal power were (ever) extending themselves; who brought confusion (of envy) on the faces of Death and the Fire by (the largeness of) the remnants of the oblations of animals which were the slain heroes offered up in sacrifices in the van of battle at Andari, Alattur, Purulare, Pernagara, and many other places; (and) who was the author of a commentary on fifteen cantos (or, on the fifteenth canto) of the Kirâtârjuniya.
- (L. 23.) Om! His son (was) he who had the first name of "the glorious Mushkara," whose feet, resembling water-lilies, were (always) made of a yellowish colour by a mass of filaments which was the rows of the diadems of the kings (bowing down before him) who had been bruised in the course of (his) crushing (enemies) hard to be subdued.
- (L. 25.)— Om! His son (was) he who had the first name of "the glorious Vikrama," (or "Śrivikrama"),2 whose pure understanding was acquired by (mastering) the fourteen divisions of knowledge; who was pre-eminently skilled among those who expound and apply the whole of the science of politics; (and) who was a very rising sun in respect of dispelling the mass of the darkness (that consisted) of (his) enemies.
- (L. 27.) Ôm! His son (was) he who had the first name of "the glorious Bhûvikrama;" whose breast was made conspicuous by (the embraces of) the goddess of victory, acquired in many battles; (and) who mastered the meaning of all the sacred writings.
- (L. 29.) Om! His son (was) he who had the name of Sivamara, who by the excess of his beauty surpassed the appearance of king Nala.
- (L. 30.) Ôm! His son (was) the glorious Kongunivarman, the pious Mahârâjâdhirâja, the Paraméscara, who had the first name of Sripurusha; whose religious merit, produced by the great gifts (that he gave), was (ever) increasing day by day; (and) who made the cavities of (the mountain) Mandara resonant with (his) laughter (?).
- (L. 32.)—His son (was) the glorious Kongunivarman, the pious Mahârâjâdhirâja, the Paramésvara, who had the first name of Sivamaradeva3 and the other name of Saigotta; (and) who was a very sun in the sky that is the pure Ganga lineage.
 - (L. 33.)—His younger brother (was) the glorious Vijayâditya.
- (L. 34.)—His son (was) Satyavâkya-Kongunivarman, the pious Mahârâjâdhirâja, the Paramésvara, who had the first name of "the glorious Rajamalla," (and) whose breast was closely embraced by the goddess of sovereignty, attained (by him).
- (L. 36.)— His son (was) Nîtimarga-Kongunivarman, the pious Mahârâjâdhirâja, the Paramésvara, who had the first name of "the glorious Eregangadêva," (and) who caused the heroes of (his) illustrious foes to be destroyed in the battle of Ramati (or Ramadi).
- (L. 38.)—His son (was) the glorious Satyavakya-Kongunivarman, the pious Mahdrajadhiraja, the Paramesvara, who had the first name of "the glorious Rajamalla," (and) who effected the birth of the goddess of victory in the battle of Sâmiya.
- (L. 40.)—Om! His younger brother (was) he who had the name of "the glorious Bûtuga," (and was also called) Guṇad-uttaranga; who plundered the Pallava king; (and) who was the lord of the soul of the glorious Abbalabbâ, the daughter of the glorious Amôghavarshadêva, the favourite of the earth.

³ See page 167 above, note 4. ¹ See page 178 above, note 3. ² See page 178 above, note 10.

⁴ i.e. "the arch of virtue." The first part of this bireda is the Kanarese genitive gameda.

- (L. 42.)— Om! His son (was) the glorious Nîtimârga-Kongunivarman, the pious Mahârâjâdhirâja, the Paramêśvara, who had the first name of "the glorious Eregangadêva," (and was also called) Komara-vedenga; whose forehead was adorned with the binding on of the fillet (oj sovereignty) of (or by) Ereyappa; (and) who effected a public defeat of the Pallavas in battle at Jantepperupeñjeru² and other places.
- (L. 45.)— Ôm! His son (was) Satyavâkya-Kongunivarman, the pious Mahárájádhirája, the Paraméśvara, who had the first name of "the glorious Narasinghadêva," (and was also called) Vira-vedenga.³
- (L. 48.) Om! (Metre): His younger brother, possessed of prosperity and wealth acquired by his own arm, went to the glorious Baddega, the favourite of the earth, in the country of Pahâla, and then, being of the most excellent understanding, wedded his daughter, along, of a verity, with the maiden Eloquence, at Tripurî. Or again: - There was born the king who had the appellation of "the glorious Bûtuga;" who conquered the host of (his) enemies; who was excessively fierce; (and) who, - being, through (his) might, one who ranked first in enumerations of kings,- when that king named Baddega had gone to appropriate the fortunes of (the god) Indra in heaven,5 took elephants and horses and white umbrellas and thrones from the possession of Lalleya (?), and gave (them) to king Krishna. Moreover,6 from this excessively fierce king Ganga-Gangeya, did not Kakkaraja, lord of Alachapura, acquire (fear) of death?; did not Dantivarman, named Bijja, hurriedly go (in flight) in war to his own Banavâsî ?; did not Râjavarman become quieted ?; did not Dâmari. lord of Nuluvugiri, whose country was made quiet, obtain the breaking of (his) pride?; (and) did not Nagavarman feel, mid-way, the (?) very extremity of fear? Having, at command indeed, conquered king Rajaditya, who was made arrogant by pride in (his) array of elephants .-burnt numbers of hill-forts, headed by Nalkôte, - (he), the glorious Ganga-Narayana, of his own accord gave to (king) Krishna lordly elephants (and) horses (and) great wealth. (Âryâ):-With thunderbolts that were the maxims of those who interpret the Vêdic writings, etc., (he), king Jayad-uttaranga,8 cleft open the frontal globes of the lordly elephants who are the expounders of evil precepts, puffed up with the rut that is the doctrine of devotion to one sole object of worship.
- (L. 64.)—(Alliterative prose):—Satyanîtivâkya-Kongunivarman, the pious Mahârâjâ. dhirâja, the Paraméśvara, who has the first name of "the glorious Bûtuga," (and who is also called) Nanniya-Ganga,9— while ruling over the Ganga maṇḍala, (which) assuredly (consists of) ninety-six thousand (villages); (and) when staying at the town of Purikara,—when eight hundred of the Saka years, increased by sixty, have gone by; on Sunday, the eighth tithi, (called) Nandîśvara, of the bright fortnight of the month Kârttika of the

¹ i.e. "a wonder among princes." Komara is a corruption of kumara.

³ Or, perhaps, "Bantepperupenjeru." Or, again, two places,—the second of them being Penjeru,— may be named.

³ i.e. "a wonder among brave men." 4 i.e. "the quarrelsome or fighting Ganga."

⁵ i.e. "had died." 6 See page 180 above, note 2.

⁷ The meaning of gandugamaha or gantugamaha (line 60) is not apparent.

⁵ i.e. "the arch of victory." Jayada is the Kanarese genitive.

⁹ i.e. "the affectionate, kind, or truthful Ganga." Nanniya, again, is a Kanarese genitive.

¹⁰ This seems to be the intended meaning of the text; but the word nanditrara does not occupy a position corresponding to my translation.—A Nandisvara tithi in the month Phålguna appears to be mentioned in the Peggůr inscription (Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 102, text line 4-5, and Vol. XIV. p. 76; and Coorg Inscriptions, p. 7).

Vikārin samvatsara,— having gratified six female mendicants with gifts and honourable treatment, etc., (and) having of his own accord washed the feet of Någadêvapandita, the head of the holy Vadiyûr-Gaṇa,¹ has given, at Sûṇdî, in the northern part (of the village), sixty nivartanas (of land), by the staff which is the royal measure, for the purpose of repairing anything that may become broken or torn, (and) for the performance of worship, and to provide food, to the chaityālaya,— built at Sûṇdî, the city which is the chief (town) of the Suldhâṭavî seventy villages,— of his wife, the glorious Dîvaļāmbikâ, who is a manifest goddess through the purity of (her) accurate perception.² The boundaries of it (are):— On the east, the cultivated land called Mânasinga-keyi; on the south, the land called the land of the jack-fruit trees; on the west, the field called Keppara-pola;³ (and) on the north, the stream that comes from (the village of) Bâlugêri. The village gives three gadyānas as the aruvaṇa;⁴ (and) the village preserves the entire arrangement.

(L. 80.)—"This general bridge of piety of kings should at all times be preserved by you."—(thus) does Râmabhadra again and again make a request to all the future princes! The earth has been enjoyed by many kings, commencing with Sagara; whosoever for the time being possesses the earth, to him belongs, at that time, the reward (of this grant that is now made, if he continue it)!

(L. 83.)—At Sûṇḍi, the chief (town) of the Suldhaṭavi seventy, the glorious Divalamba,—the one Rambha of the world,—celebrated the sacrificial rites of six female mendicants, and caused the famous Jaina temple to be built. Om! Om!

No. 26.- SRAVANA-BELGOLA EPITAPH OF MALLISHENA;

AFTER SAKA-SAMVAT 1050.

BY E. HULTZSCH, PH.D.

This inscription is engraved on four faces of a pillar in the Pârsvanâtha-Basti⁶ on the Chandragiri or Chikkabeṭṭa hill at Śravaṇa-Belgola, the well-known Jaina village in the Channarâyapaṭṇa tâlukâ of the Hassan district of the Mysore State. Fairly correct transcripts in Roman and Kanarese characters, and a tentative English translation of it, were published in 1889 by Mr. Rice.⁷ The subjoined Nâgarî transcript and English translation are based on excellent inked estampages, which were prepared on the spot by my Kanarese Assistant, Mr. H. Krishna Sastri. In spite of all possible trouble, I do not flatter myself to have made out the correct meaning of every verse of this difficult inscription. Future investigation of the literature of the Southern Digambaras will probably lead to the elucidation of most obscure passages. Professors Kielhorn and Leumann, to whom I sent one set of the first proofs of this paper, have placed me and the readers under great obligation by valuable additions and suggestions, most of which I have inserted in the introduction and the footnotes under their initials (F. K. and E. L.).

¹ Or, perhaps, " Vaţiyûr-Gaṇa."

² Samyag-darśana, 'accurate perception, or complete vision,' samyag-jūāna, 'complete knowledge,' and samyak-chāritra, 'correct conduct,' constitute the ratna-traya, or 'three excellent things,' of the Jains.

³ Or "Koppara pola." If the first component of the name is keppara, the whole word seems to mean "the field of the deaf men."

[•] The arurana, - lit. 'six panas,' - was a tax on manya-lands (see Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 249).

<sup>See page 181 above, note 8; and compare the mention of six female mendicants in line 74 of the record.
No. 1 on the plan of Chandragiri in Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, p 2 of the Introduction.</sup>

⁷ Inscription No. 54 of the same work. Mr. Rice's text is reprinted in Nagari characters in the Kavyamala, No. 34 (Prachinalekhamala, Vol. 1.), p. 144 ff.

Among Professor Kielhorn's contributions are 'various readings' from a manuscript copy of the present inscription. This copy was made from a palm-leaf MS. at Madras for Professor Bühler, by whom it was presented to the India Office Library. After the publication of Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, Professor Kielhorn recognised at once that the Madras MS. contains a copy of the Mallishêna epitaph, and proposed a number of improvements in Mr. Rice's text on the basis of Professor Bühler's copy. It appears from Professor Kielhorn's 'various readings' either that the Madras MS. was copied from the pillar while the latter was still in a state of more perfect preservation than at present, or that the MS. was based on an independent duplicate of the Mallishêna epitaph.

The alphabet of the inscription is Kanarese. The upper and lower portions of some letters of the first and last lines, respectively, on each face of the pillar are drawn out into ornamental flourishes. The language is Sanskrit, verse and prose; only the two last lines are in the Kanarese language. The only orthographical peculiarities which deserve to be noted, are that dh and bh, when doubled, are sometimes written as dhdh and bhbh, and that rnna is written as rnna.3 The object for which the inscription was composed, and the pillar containing it set up, is to perpetuate the memory of the Jaina preceptor Mallishena-Maladharideva (verse 64), who committed religious suicide by sallékhaná (line 211) or samádhi (l. 212), i.e. by prolonged fasting, which, in his case, lasted three days,— at Śvētasarôvara (v. 72) or Dhavalasarasatīrtha (v. 70), i.e. at Śravana-Belgola.4 The date of his death was the day of Svâti, Sunday, the third day of the dark fortnight of Phâlguna of the (expired) Sâka year 1050, which corresponded to the cyclic year Kîlaka (v. 72). According to Professor Kielhorn's calculation, the European equivalent of this date is Sunday, the 10th March, A.D. 1129. The date of the inscription itself is not stated; but the record cannot have been composed more than a generation after Mallishena's death, because the composer, Mallinatha, was a lav-disciple of the deceased preceptor (l. 222).

The account of Mallishêna's suicide is preceded by a sort of historical sketch of the Śravana-Belgola branch of the Digambara sect of the Jainas. It is not a connected and complete account, and cannot even be proved to be in strictly chronological order. The names of some selected Digambara preceptors are mentioned with much stale and extravagant praise, but not without valuable allusions to contemporary persons and incidents.

- 1. The list naturally opens with Vardhamana of the Natha race, the founder of the Jaina religion (v. 1).
- 2. Of the three Kêvalins⁶ the inscription mentions only Gautamasvâmin, surnamed Indrabhûti (v. 2).
 - 3. The Śrutakêvalins (v. 3).
- 4. Bhadrabâhu, whose disciple was 5. Chandragupta (v. 4); and 6. Kauṇḍakunda⁷ (v. 5). In two other Śravaṇa-Belgola inscriptions (Nos. 40 and 108 of Mr. Rice's volume), these three names are mentioned in the same order, and Bhadrabâhu whose pupil was Chandragupta, is called the last of the Śrutakêvalins.⁸

¹ Zeitschrift D. M. G. Vol. XLII. p. 552, No. 308.

³ Vienna Or. J. Vol. VII. p. 248 ff.

In order to avoid a useless repetition of identical footnotes, I have replaced rnna by rnna throughout the transcript.

⁴ Śvēta-Saras and Dhavala-Sarasa are Sanskrit translations of the Kanarese Bel-Kola, "the White Tank."

⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. XXIII. p. 124.

See Dr. Hoernle's Table, Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 57.

⁷ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 15; South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 158, note 2; Dr. Hoernle's Table, Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 74, No. 5. A detailed sketch of Kundakunda's Pravachanasára is given in Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 91 ff.

⁸ Compare Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI, p. 156.

- 7. Samantabhadra¹ (v. 6). The composer quotes two verses (7 and 8) which this preceptor is represented to have addressed to an unnamed king, probably of Karahâṭaka (Karhâḍ),³ and in the first of which he professes to have undertaken a missionary tour to Pâṭaliputra (Paṭna), Mâlava, Sindhu, Ṭhakka (the Panjâb), Kâñchîpura, and Vaidiśa (Bêsnagar).
- 8. Verse 9 speaks of a person who "broke by his sword the solid stone pillar, which barred the road to the acquisition of the fortune of the kingdom," and states that this unnamed person was assisted by the sage Simhanandin. As noticed by Mr. Rice, a similar feat is attributed in the Udayêndiram plates of the Ganga-Bâna king Râjasimha, alias Hastimalla, to the first Ganga king, Kongani, "who, in his youth, resembling the powerful Śiśu (Kârttikêya) in gracefulness, cut in two a huge stone pillar with the sword in his hand at a single stroke." The same plates appear to connect Simhanandin with the mythical founder of the Ganga dynasty in stating that "the Ganga race obtained prosperity through the power of Simhanandin." I cannot follow Mr. Rice in considering this coincidence between the Mallishêna epitaph and the Hastimalla plates "a most important identification," but would only conclude from it that the same legendary traditions were known to the composers of both documents.
 - 9. Vakragrîva⁶ (v. 10).
 - 10. Vajranandin, author of the Navastotra (v. 11).
 - 11. Pâtrakêsarin⁸ (v. 12).
 - 12. Sumatidêva, author of the Sumatisaptaka (v. 13).
 - 13. Kumârasêna [I.], was born and died in the South (v. 14).
 - 14. Chintâmani, author of the Chintâmani (v. 15).
- 15. Śrîvarddhadêva, author of the poem Chûldmani (v. 16). A verse (17) in his praise by Dandin is quoted.
 - 16. Mahêsvara (v. 18 f.).
- 17. Akalanka, defeated the Bauddhas in disputation (v. 20). Three verses (21 to 23) by him are quoted, which he is represented to have addressed to a king Sāhasatunga, and in the third of which he claims to have overcome the Bauddhas in the court of king Himaṣitala. A legendary account of this dispute between Akalanka and the Bauddhas in the court of "Hêmasithalan" at Kânchipura forms part of the Mackenzie Manuscripts, and an abstract of it was published by the Rev. W. Taylor. Another document of equally questionable

¹ This author is mentioned in Kêśirāja's Śabdamaṇdarpaṇa, p. 125 of Mr. Kittel's edition. Samantabhadra's Áptamimāmsā was commented on by Akalanka and Vidyānanda; Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 219. The name Samantabhadra occurs also in the Śvētāmbara Paṭṭāvalis; see Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 247, No. 19, and p. 252, No. 16.

² See Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 228, note 20. Karahâta was the capital of a branch of the Śilâhâras; see Dr. Bühler's Introduction to the Vikramânkadêvacharita, p. 40, note.

Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, p. 42 ff. of the Introduction.

⁴ Verse 14 of the Hastimalla plates, Manual of the Salem District, Vol. II. p. 370. See also aute, p. 165.

⁵ Verse 12 of the same plates. The original, which is in my hands, reads Simkanandi-maki-pratilabdka-vitdhi, which must be corrected into Simhanandi-makima-pratilabdka-vriddhi.

⁶ Vakragriva was also a surname of Kaundakunda (v. 5). See Professor Peterson's Report on Skt. MSS. 1884, p. 82, and p. 163, verse 4; South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 158, verse 4; Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 351, No. 5, and Vol. XXI. p. 74, note 35.

⁷ The same name occurs as No. 13 of Dr. Hoernie's Tables, Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 351, and Vol. XXI. p. 74.

S According to Mr. Pathak (Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 222 f.), Pâtrakêsarin, who is named in Jinasêna's Âdipurdua, is identical with Vidyânanda, a contemporary of Akalanka.

⁹ The similar name Vriddhadêva occurs in the Svêtâmbara Pattávalis; Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 247, No. 20, and p. 252, No. 17.

¹⁰ Catalogue, Vol. III. p. 423 f.

value is said to record that "many Jainas came from the North to the Kânchî district in the Kaliyuga 1451, Śâlivâhana-Śaka 710,1 in the reign of "Himasitala-Mahârâja." It was then a forest, which they cleared and cultivated. In his time a schism arose between the Jainas and the Bauddhas. Akalankadêva overcame the Bauddhas. Some of the Bauddhas were intended to be put to death in large stone oil-mills; but, instead of that, were embarked on ships and sent to Ceylon." The manuscript subsequently treats of "revenue matters in the time of the Honourable Company" (!). These two accounts and verses 20 to 23 of the Mallishêna epitaph are clearly borrowed from the same source. I would, however, entirely ignore king Himasîtala of Kânchîpura for historical purposes as long as no contemporaneous epigraphical records, but only legends, are available as proofs of his existence.

- 18. Pushpasêna, appears to have been a contemporary of Akalanka (v. 24), who was referred to in the preceding verses.
- 19. Vimalachandra³ (v. 25). The author of the inscription quotes a verse (26) which records that this preceptor challenged the Śaivas, Pâśupatas, Bauddhas, Kâpâlikas, and Kâpilas in a letter which he affixed to the gate of the palace of a king named (or surnamed) Śatrubhayamkara.
 - 20. Indranandin (v. 27).
- 21. Paravâdimalla (v. 28). The author quotes a verse (29) which this preceptor is represented to have uttered in the presence of a king named Krishnarâja.
 - 22. Âryadêva (v. 30 f.).
 - 23. Chandrakirti (v. 32).
 - 24. Karmaprakriti (v. 33).
 - 25. Śripaladeva, surnamed Traividya (v. 34).
 - 26. Matisâgara (v. 35).
- 27. Hêmasêna, surnamed Vidyâdhanamjaya (v. 36). A verse (37) by him is quoted, in which he addresses an unnamed king and challenges other disputants.
- 28. Dayâpâla [I.], composed the *Hitarûpasiddhi* (v. 38) and was the disciple of **Matisâgara** and fellow-student of **Vâdirâja** (v. 39). Matisâgara was referred to in verse 35, and Vâdirâja is described in the next verses.
- 29. Vâdirâja⁶ (v. 40 f.). The author quotes three verses (42 to 44) of "the poets." The first verse states that Vâdirâja challenged other disputants in the capital of an unnamed Châjukya emperor. The second verse, which refers to "the court of the lord," suggests that the disputation took place in the presence of the emperor himself.

¹ Saka-Samvat 710 corresponds to Kaliyuga 3889,— a small error of 2438 years. According to Mr. Rice (p. 45 of the Introduction), the Jainas have the traditional date Saka-Samvat 777 for Akalanka's victory over the Bauddhas. Dr. Bhandarkar quotes a verse from Jinasêna's Adipurâna, in which Akalanka is referred to; Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 423, verse 53. According to Mr. Pathak, the Adipurâna was composed between Saka-Samvat 705 and 760; Journ. Bo. Ac. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 227.

² Taylor's Catalogue, Vol. III. p. 436 f.

³ The same name occurs in the Śvêtâmbara Paţţávalis; Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 248, No. 35, and p. 253, No. 34.

No. 34.

An undated Tamil inscription at Tirumalai near Pôlůr in the North Arcot district records a gift by a disciple of Paravâdimalla of Tirumalai, who may have been called after that Paravâdimalla who is referred to in our inscription. See South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 105.

⁵ Śrîpâla is mentioned in Jinasêna's Adipurana; Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII, p. 222.

⁶ A Jaina preceptor of this name is mentioned in Någavarman's Kåvyåralóka; see p. xxxvii. of Mr. Kittel's Essay on Kanarese Literature, prefixed to his edition of Någavarman's Prosody. The Ekthhåvastótra, a short Jaina poem by one Vådiråja. has appeared in the Kåvyamålå. Part vii. No. 3.

- 30. Śrîvijaya,¹ was worshipped by an unnamed Ganga king (v. 45). The author quotes a verse (46) which is said to be composed by Vâdirâja, and according to which Śrîvijaya was the successor of Hêmasêna. Vâdirâja was treated in the immediately preceding verses (40 to 44) and Hêmasêna in verses 36 and 37.
 - 31. Kamalabhadra (v. 47 f.).
 - 32. Dayâpâla [II.] (v. 49 f.).
- 33. Sântidêva, was worshipped by the Poysala king Vinayâditya (v. 51). This is the only royal personage in the whole inscription, about the identity of which no doubt remains. Vinayâditya, the first of the Hoysalas, ruled about the middle of the 11th century of our era.²
- 34. The next verse (52) introduces a preceptor on whom an unnamed Pándya king conferred the title 'Lord' (Svámin), and who was known in the court of a king Âhavamalla under the name Sabdachaturmukha. Possibly, this preceptor is identical with Santidêva, to whom the preceding verse refers. If this is really the case, or if, at least, the names of Jaina teachers are enumerated in chronological order in this portion of the inscription, the time of king Âhavamalla in verse 52 would be limited by the date of the Hoysala king Vinayâditya (v. 51) and the date of Mallishêna's death (A.D. 1129). Under these conditions, this Âhavamalla may be identified with the Western Châlukya king Âhavamalla II. or Sômêśvara I. The Pândya king with whom the name of the preceptor is associated, was probably not one of the Madhurâ Pândyas, but one of the Pândya feudatories of the Western Châlukya kings.
 - 35. Gunasêna, a native of the country near Śrî-Mullûra (v. 53).
- 36. Ajitasêna⁴ (vv. 54 to 57), bore the surname Vâdibhasimha (v. 57) or Vâdibhakanthîrava (v. 55). The author quotes three verses (58 to 60) composed by him.

Ajitasêna's disciples were 37. Śantinâtha, alias Kavitâkânta, and 38. Padmanâbha, alias Vâdikôlâhala (line 174 f.). The author quotes two verses, the first of which (61) praises Kântasânti,— i.e. Śântinâtha, alias Kavitâkânta,— and the second (62) Padmanâbha.

39. Kumârasêna [II.] (v. 63).

The remainder of the inscription relates to 40. Mallishena, who as also called Maladharin, i.e. 'the bearer of dirt,' because, to show his contempt of worldly habits, he had ceased to wash himself (vv. 65 and 67). He was a disciple of Ajitasena (l. 209 f.), who was referred to in verses 54 to 57. The author quotes a verse (71) which Mallishena is said to have uttered while he was starving himself to death in the presence of the whole congregation.

Two lines in the Kanarese language at the bottom of the fourth face of the pillar record the names of the composer and the engraver.

In July 1893, Mr. R. Sewell, I.C.S., Collector of Bellary, discovered a sculptured piece of black granite on the north-west side of the Mahânavami-Dibbe ⁵ at Kamalâpura near **Hampe**. The slab bears two fragments of a Sanskrit and Kanarese inscription, of which Mr. Sewell kindly sent me impressions. The Sanskrit portion of the inscription refers no less than three times to the death of an ascetic, named **Maladhāridēva**.

[It is curious that the title Maladhârin occurs among both sects of Jainas, the Digambaras and Śvêtâmbaras, though it does not appear to date from the time before their separation. At

An author of this name is mentioned in Kêsirâja's Sabdamanidar pana, p. 4 of Mr. Kittel's edition.

² See Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 65.

² See Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, pp. 51 to 53.

⁴ [He may be identical with Ajitasênâchârya, the author of the Alamkdrachintamani and Maniprakásika see Mr. Rice's Skt. MSS. in Mysore and Coorg, p. 304, No. 2795, and p. 308, No. 2818.— E. L.]

⁵ No. 60 on the Mudras Survey Map of Hampe.

least we have hitherto found the title only within the current millenary. Among the Svêtâmbaras it is borne by several members of the Harshapurîya-gachchha. Later on there appears a separate Maladhâri-gachchha, which must be derived from some eminent Śvêtâmbara, named Maladhârin; e.g. two representatives of this gachchha, Gunatilaka and Kshamâsundara, are quoted in Samayasundara's Sâmâchârî-ŝataka. The earliest mention of a Maladhârin would be found among the Digambaras, if the date Śaka-Samvat 975 for Maladhâri-Hêmachandra (Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravaṇa-Belgola, No. 55, pp. 49, 50, 141, and p. 37 of the Introduction) is correct. In the eleventh century of the Śaka era, several Digambaras of the name Maladhâridêva appear to have lived at Śravaṇa-Belgola. One is mentioned in the Hampe inscription discovered by Mr. Sewell; and Mr. Rice's book refers to one who was a pupil of Divâkaranandi and preceptor of Śubhachandradêva (Śaka-Samvat 1041; lc. No. 139, pp. 110 and 185), another in Śaka-Samvat 1099 (No. 42, pp. 13 and 123) who was a papil of Dâmanandin (Śaka-Samvat 1040?), and a third in Śaka-Samvat 1045 (No. 43, pp. 17 and 124).

[There is a Digambara author called Mallishênâchârya, three of whose works are named in Mr. Rice's Skt. MSS. in Mysore and Coorg,— the Någakumåra-kårya (p. 302), the Pråbhritakatraya-vyåkhyåna (p. 310), and the Mantravåda (p. 316). This author might be considered distinct from the Mallishêna of the inscription, which does not refer to any literary products of the latter. An argumentum ex silentio is, however, out of place here; for Mallinâtha, the composer of the inscription, appears to have been a professional panegyrist, who knew little of the ecclesiastical tradition and might have easily overlocked eventual works of Mallishêna on theological matters]

[I have derived the above information on Maladhârin and Mallishêna from Dr. Klatt's Jaina-Onomasticon, a book which contains an enormous amount of references, but requires thorough revision and condensation before it can be presented to the public. Only a specimen of the work was especially prepared for the press and printed in the Transactions of the Berlin Academy for 1892 (14 pages, 4°).— E.L.]

TEXT.1

A .- North Face.

- 1 श्रीमनायकुलेन्दुरिंद्रपरिषद्वं दाश्युतश्रीसु-
- थाधाराधीतजगत्तमोपचमचः पिण्डप्रकाण्डं
- 3 महत् । यस्नाविर्माळधर्मावार्षिवपुळत्रीर्वेर्षमा-
- 4 [ना] सतां भर्त्तुर्भव्यचकीरचक्रसवतु त्रीवर्डमानी जिन: ॥ [१*] जीया-
- 5 दर्श्युतेन्द्रभूति[वि]दिताभिख्यो गणी गौतमखा[मी] सप्तमइ-
- 6 र्डिभिस्त्रिजगतीमापादयन् पादयो: । यद्दीधांबुधिमे-
- 7 त्य वीरहिमव[त्क्ती]क् [कण्ठा] दुधांभीदात्ता भुवनं पुनाति वच-
- 8 नखच्छन्दमन्दाकिनी ॥ [२*] तीर्श्वेशद[र्भन]भवत्रयदृकाइस्रविस्रय-
- 9 बोधवपुषप्रयुतकेवलींद्रा: । [नि]िभींदतां 'विबुधबृन्दिशारीिभवं-
- 10 द्या स्फूर्जंदच:कुळिशत: कुमताद्रिमुद्रा: ॥ [२ *] वण्यं: क्रयनु म-
- 11 हिमा भग भद्रवाहीमोडिक्सक्रमदमहैनवृत्तवाही: ।

¹ From inked estampages prepared by Mr. H. Krishna Sastri.

³ Bead विबुधवृन्द.

- 12 यक्किथताप्तसुक्ततेन स चंद्र[गु]प्तभ्यत्रभूथते सा सुचिरं
- 13 वनदेवताभि: ॥ [४*] वंद्यो विभुम्भुं[वि] न [क्षे]रिष्ट कीण्डकुन्द: कुन्दप्रभा-
- 14 प्रणयिकी त्तिवभूषिताम: । य[अ] । रुचारणकरां बुजचंचरी-
- 15 कशको श्रुतस्य भरते प्रयत[:] प्र[ति]ष्ठाम् ॥ [५*] वंद्यी भस्रकभस्रासात्कृ-
- 16 तिपटु: पद्मावतीदेवतादत्तीदात्तपद[:*] स्त्रमंत्रवचनव्याह्नतचंद्र-
- 17 प्रभ: । श्राचार्य्यस समन्तभद्रगणभृद्येनेच काले कली जैनं वर्क स-
- 18 मन्तभद्रमभवद्भद्रं समन्ताद्मुह: [६*] @ चूर्ष्णि @ यस्यवंविधा वा-
- 19 दारंभसंरंभविजंभिताभित्यक्तयस्रूक्तयः @ वृत्त @ पूर्व
- 20 पाटलिपुत्रमध्यनगरे भेरी मया ताडिता पत्रान्माळवसिन्धुठ-
- 21 क्विषये कांचीपुरे वैदिशे [।*] प्राप्ती हं करहाटकं बहुभटं
- 22 [विद्यो] कटं संकटं वादार्खी विचराम्य इत्ररपते भार्द्र सविक्रीडितं ॥ [७*]
- 23 प्रवटुतटमटित भटिति स्मुटपटुवाचाटधूर्ज्जटेरिप जिह्ना [1*] वादिनी स-
- 24 सन्तभद्रे स्थितवति तव सदसि भूप कास्थान्धेषां ॥ [८*] योसी घाति-सल-
- 25 दिषद्दलियलास्तंभावलीखण्डनध्यानासिः पटुरईतो भगवतस्ती-
- 26 स्य प्रसा[दी]कत:। कात्रस्थापि ससिंइनन्दिमुनिना नी चेत् क[थं] वा ग्रि-
- 27 लास्तंभी राज्यरमाग[मा]ध्वपरिघस्तेनासि[ख] एडी वन: ॥ [८*] वक्रगीव-
- 28 महामुनेदेशशतग्रीवीष्यहींद्री य[थ]ाजातं स्तीतुमळं वचीबळ-
- 29 मसी किं भग्नवाग्मिव्रजं । योसी शासन[द]वताबहुमती च्रीवक्रवादि-
- 30 ग्रह्मीवीस्मिन्नथभव्दवाच्यमवद्यासान् [स]मासेन षट्॥ [१०*] न व स्ती-
- 31 व्रं तव प्रसरित कवींद्रा: कथमिप प्रणामं वजा[दी] रचयत प-
- 32 रबंदिनि सुनौ [1*] नवस्तीतं येन व्यरचि सक्र अर्ड प्रवचनप्रयंचा-
- 33 न्तरभीवप्रवणवर[स]न्दरभीसभगं ॥ [११*] महिमा स पावनेसिरगुरी: परं
- 34 भवति यस्य भक्त्यासीत् । पद्मावती सहाया तिलचणकदर्श्वनं कर्त्तु ॥ [१२*] सु-
- 35 [मितिदेव]ममं स्तुत [यी]न वसुमिति[स]प्तकमाप्ततया क्रतं । परिष्ट-
- 36 तापथतत्वपथार्त्धिनां सुमितिकीटिविवर्त्ति भवार्त्तिद्वत् ॥ [१३*] उदेत्य सम्य-ग्दिशि
- 37 दिचणस्था कुमारसेनी मुनिरस्त[म]।पत् [।*] तत्नैव चित्रं जगदेकभानी-
- 38 स्तिष्ठत्यसी तस्य तथा प्रकाश: ॥ [१४*] धर्माार्खकामपरिनिर्वृतिचारुचिन्तिय-

^{1 [}The MS. reads "京朝刊",--- F. K.]

³ Read वादिनिः

^{*[}The MS. does read 医毛.— F. K.]

⁴ Read वाश्मित्रज्ञम्.

- 39 न्तामणि: प्रतिनिक्तेतमकारि येन [।*] स स्त्यते सरससीस्थभुजा सु-
- जातिशंतामणिर्मानिष्ठषा न कथञ्जनेन ॥ [१५*] चूळामणिः कवीनां चू-40
- कामणिना[म]सेव्यकाव्यकवि: [।*] श्रीवर्डदेव एव हि क्रतप्रस्थ: कीर्शि-41
- माइर्त्त [१६*] @ चूर्ष्णि @ य एवमुपश्चीिकतो दण्डिना 42 कत्यां जटा ग्री-
- र्ष बभार परमेखर: [1*] श्रीवर्षटेव संधत्मे जिह्वाग्रेण सरस्ततीं ॥ [१७*] 43 प्रथा-
- स्तस्य जयो गणस्य चरणम् भूभिच्छिखाघटनम् पद्गामस्त महेश्व-44
- रस्तदपि न प्राप्तं तुळामी[म्ब]र: [।*] यस्याखण्डकळावतोष्टविळसहिक्पा-45
- लमीलिखवलकोत्तिंखसारितो [महे] खर दह स्तृत्यस कैस्यान्नि: ॥ [१८°] 46
- यसाप्तितमा हावादान् [जिगाया]न्यानयामितान् [।*] ब्रह्मरची चिंतसी चीं 47
- महिखरसुनीखर: ॥ [१८*] तारा येन विनिर्ज्जिता घटकुटीगूडावतारा समं
- बौध्यैय्यो भतपी[ठपी]डितकुदृग्देवात्तसेवांजितः [।*] प्रायिक्तमिवांन्नि-
- वारिजरज[:*]स्नानं च यस्याचरत्' दीषाणां सुगतसा कस्य विषयी देवा-50
- कळंक: कती [२०*] 🕲 चूर्ष्णि 🎯 यखेदमात्मनीनन्य[स]ामान्यनिरवद्य-51 विद्याविभ-
- वीपवर्ष्टनमाकर्र्यते 🕲 राजन् साइसतुंग सन्ति बच्चवश्खेतातपता रू-52
- पाः किन्तु त्वत्सद्भा रचे विजयनस्थागीव[त]ा दुर्कभ[ा]ः [।*] [त]इसिन्त 53 बु-
- धा न स[न्ति] कवयो वादीखरा वाग्मिनी नानाशास्त्र[वि]चा[रचंचु]रिधयः **54**
- काले कली महिधा: @ [२१*] नमी मिल्लिषेणमलधा[रिदेवा]य 💩 55

B .- West Face.

- राजन सब्बीरिटप्पेप्रिविदलनपट्स्वं यथात प्रसिध्ध-⁴ 56
- स्तद्दत् खाती इमखाम् भुवि [नि] खिळमदीत्याटनः पिकतानां [।*] 57
- नी चेदेषीइमेते तव सदिस सदा सन्ति सन्ती महान्ती वक्तं य-58
- स्थास्ति मित्रस वदत विदितामेवमास्त्री यदि स्थात् ॥ [२२*] नाइंकार-59
- वशोक्षतेन मनसा न हेषिका केवलं नैरात्म्यं प्रतिपदा नश्यति जने का-60
- बख्यबुध्धा मया । । राजः त्रोडिमगीतळख सदसि प्रायो 61

¹ Read भर्च.-- [The MS. also reads चर्च.-- F. K.]

³ Read बीजियों.-- [The MS. does read प्रापीठ.-- F. K.]

^{&#}x27;[The MS. does read WWT.-F. K.]

⁷ Read बुद्धा.

³ Bead गृढावतारा.

⁴ Read ⁰चरहीपाचां.

⁶ Read प्रसिद्ध.

- 62 विद्यालानी बीबीघान् सकलान् विजित्य सुगतः पारेन विस्की-
- 63 टित: ॥ [२३*] त्रीपु[ष्प]सेनमुनिरेव पदमाहिन्ती देवसा यस्य स-
- 64 सभूताभवान् सधमा [1*] श्रीविध्यमस्य भवनवनु पद्ममेव पु-
- 65 ष्येषु मित्रमिष्ह यस्य सञ्चल्रधामा॥ [२४*] विमळचंद्रसु-
- 66 नींद्रगुरीमीक प्रमिताखिळवादिमदं पदं । यदि यथा-
- 67 वदवैष्यत पण्डितैर्बनु तदा [न्व]वदिष्यत वाग्विभी: [२५*] @ चृण्णिं @
- 68 तथा हि । यस्रायमापादितपरंवादिहृदयशोकः पत्रालं-
- 69 बनश्चोक: @ पत्नं शत्रुभयंकरोरुभवनद्वारे सदा संचरवानारा-
- 70 'जकरीन्द्रबुंदतुरग[त्रा]ताकुले स्थापितं । भैवान् पाशुपतां-
- 71 स्तथागतस्तान् कापालिकान् कापिला[नु]हिश्योदतचेतसा विम-
- 72 कचंद्राशांबरेणादरात् ॥ [२६*] दुरि[त]प्रह्मियहाद्वयं य[दि] वो
- 73 'भू[रि]नरेंद्रवन्दितं [।*] ननु तेन हि भव्यदेहिनो अज[त]श्त्रीमु-
- 74 निसिंद्रनन्दिनं ॥ [२७*] घटवादघटाकोटिकोवि[इ]: की विदां प्रवाक् । परवा-
- 75 दिसन्नदेवी देव एव न संग्रय: । [२८*] @ चूिर्णि । @ ये[ने]य-मात्मना-
- 76 सधेयनिक्तिक्ता नाम प्रष्टवन्तं क्षण्यर्[ाजं] प्रति ॥ ⊚
- 77 ग्रज्जीतपचादितरः परस्खात्तदादिनस्ते परवादिनस्खः ।
- 78 तेषां हि मतः परवादिमत्तस्तनाम मन्नाम वदन्ति सन्तः ॥ [२८*] आ-
- 79 चा[र्यं]वर्यो यतिरार्यंदेवी रा[इ]ान्तकर्ता [भ्रि]यतां
- 80 स मूर्ध्यि [1*] यस्खरमैयानीत्मवसीन्त्र कायोत्सरमैस्थित:
- 81 कायमुद्रसमर्ज ॥ [३०*], अवणकतत्रणोसी संयमं
- 82 ज्ञातुकामै: ग्यनविह्नितवेलासुप्तलुप्तावधान: [1*] श्रु-
- 83 तिमरभसवृत्यी[न्यृ]ज्य' पिच्छेन शिखे किल मृदुपरि-
- 84 हत्या दत्ततत्वीटव[र्का] ॥ [३१*] विश्वं [य]श्युतबिन्दुनावक्कधे
- 85 भावं कुशायीयया ⁶बुध्येवातिमहीयसा प्रवच-
- 86 सा बद्धं गणाधीखरै: [।*] शिष्यान् प्रत्यनुकंपया [क्त]श्रमतीनै-
- 87 दंयुगीनान् सुगीस्तं [व]ाचार्चत चंद्रकीर्त्तिगणिनं चंद्राभकीर्त्ति ब-
- 88 धाः ॥ [३२*] 'सध्यर्भाकमीप्रकृति प्रणामाद्य स्थोग्रोकमीप्रकृति-

³ Read **करी**न्द्रहन्द.

² [The MS. reads भृति.— F. K.]

¹ Read भजत गी°.

¹ Read हस्यीकाच्य.

⁵ Read ⁰हस्या.

[•] Read staro. [This is the reading of the MS. F. K.]

र Read सड़में.

- 89 प्रमोच: । [त] बान्ति कर्माप्रकृतिव[मा]मी भट्टारकं दृष्टक-
- 90 तान्तपारं॥ [३३*] श्रपि खवा[म्य]स्तसमस्तविद्यस्त्रैविद्यश्रन्देप्यनु-
- 91 मन्यमान: [।*] श्रीपालदेव: प्रतिपालनीयस्रातां यत-
- 92 स्तलविवेचनी धी: ॥ [३४*] तीर्खं त्रीमितसागरी गुरुरिकाचकं च[का]-
- 93 र स्म्रज्ज्योति:पीततम ४ पय:प्रवितति: पूतं प्र-
- 94 भूताश्य: [।*] यस्नाइरिपराद्येपावनगुणश्रीवर्दमा-
- 95 नीज्ञसद्वीत्पत्तिरिकातकाधिपशिरश्यंगारका-
- 96 रिख्यभूत् ॥ [३५*] यत्नाभियोक्तरि लघुक्षेघुधामसी-
- 97 मसौम्याङ्गभृत् स [च] भवत्यपि भूतिभूमि: [।*] विद्या-
- 98 धनंजयपदं विश्वदं दधानी [जि] शाः स एव हि महा-
- 99 मुनिहेमसेन: [३६*] 🕲 चि्रार्ण 🕲 यस्यायमवनिपति-
- 100 परिषदि निग्रहमहीनिपातभीतिदुखदुर्गार्व्वपर्व-
- 101 ² तारूडप्रतिवादितोक: प्रतिज्ञास्त्रोक: @ तर्के व्याकरणे
- 102 क्रतत्रमतया धीमत्तयाप्यु हती मध्य खेषु म-
- 103 नीषिषु चितिस्तामग्रे मया स्पर्धया [1*] यः कश्चित् प्रति-
- 104 विका तस्य विदुषीवाग्मेयभंगं परं कुर्व्ववस्थमिति प्रतीच्चि नृ-
- 105 पते हे हैमसेनमातं ॥ [३७*] हितेषिणां यस्य नृणासुदा-
- 106 त्तवाचा निवडा हितरूपसिडि: [1*] वंद्यी द्यापालसु-
- 107 नि: स वाचा सिबस्ततासाूर्देनि यः प्रभावै:॥ [३८*]
- 108 यस्य श्रीमतिसागरी गुरुरसी चंचदाश्यंद्र-
- 109 [सू]: श्रीमान्यस्य स वादिराजगणभृत् सब्रह्मचारी वि-
- 110 भी: [1*] एकोतीव कती स एव हि द्यापालव्रती यसनस्था-
- 111 स्तामन्यपरिग्रहग्रहकथा खे विग्रहे विग्रह: ॥ [३८*] वैळीक्य-
- 112 दीपिका वाणी द्वाभ्यामेवीदगादिह [1*] जिनराजत एकसादेक-
- 113 साहादिराजत: ॥ [४०*] श्रीतहांऽवरिमंदुविवरिततीत्तु-
- 114 क्यं सदा यदाग्रन्छतं वाक्रमरीजराजिक्चयोभ्यर्ष्णे
- 115 च यत्क वर्णयो: [।*] सेव्य: सिंहसमर्खं पीठविभव:
- 116 सर्वंप्रवादिप्रजादत्तोचैर्ज्यकारसारमिइमा श्री-
- 117 वादिराजी विदां [४१*] @ चूर्ष्सि @ यदीयगुणगीचरीयं
- 118 वचनविकासप्रसर: कवीनां @ निमोर्इते @

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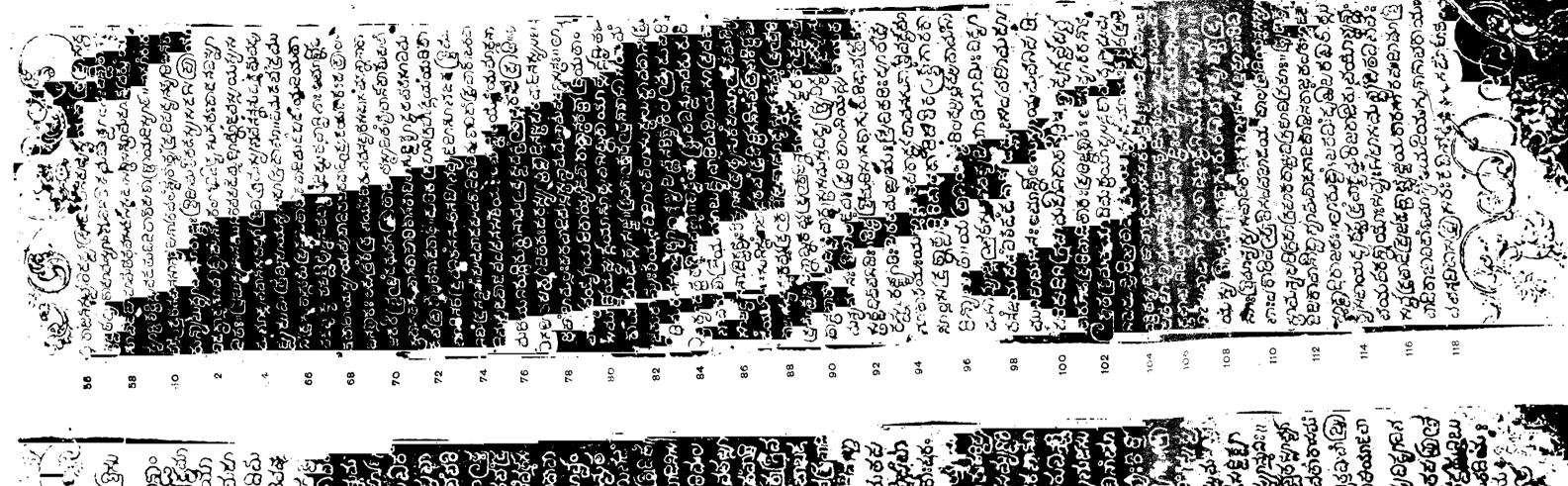
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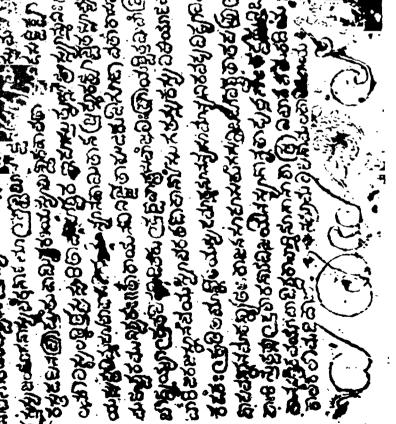
- 119 🕲 श्रीमचाळ्काचक्रेखरजय-
- 120 कटके वाग्वधूजनाभूमी
- 121 निष्काण्डण्डिण्डिमः पर्य्यटित पटुरटी वादिराजस्य जिल्लीः [i*] जह्युदादा-
- 122 ददपीं जिहिह गमकतागर्वभूमा जहाहि व्याहारेथीं
- 123 [ज]ही हि स्फ्टम्ट्रम[धु]रश्रव्यकाव्यावलेप: ॥ [४२*] पाताळे व्याळ-
- 124 राजी वसति सुविदितं [य]स्य जिह्वासद्दसं निगन्ता स्वर्गतीसी न
- 125 भवति धिषणी वज्रस्यस्य शिष्यः [1*] जीवेतान्तावदेती निक्रयबक्रवशा-
- 126 द्वादिन: क्रेंब्र नान्धे गर्व्व निर्मुच सर्व्व जियनमिनसभे वादिराजं नम-न्ति ॥ [४३*]
- 127 वाग्देवीं सुचिरप्रयीगसुदृडप्रेमाणमप्यादरादादत्ते मम पा-
- 128 र्षंतीयमधुना स्रीवादिराजी सुनि: [।*] भी भी[:*] प्रथ्यत प्रथ्यतीष यिम-²
- 129 नां किं धर्मा द्रत्युचकैरब्रह्मखपरा: पुरातनमुनेर्व्वाग्ह-
- 130 त्तयः पांतु वः ॥ [४४*] गंगावनी खरिशरीमणिब बसन्यारागी सस च-
- 131 रणचारुनखेन्दुलस्की: [।*] श्रीमब्दपूर्व्वविजयान्तविनृतनामा धी-
- 132 मानमानुषगुणीस्ततम:प्रमांशु: [४५*] @ चूर्ण्णि @ स्तुती हि सभ-
- 133 वानेष श्रीवादिराजदेवेन @ यद्विद्यातपसी: प्रशस्त[मु]भ[यं] श्रीहे[मसी]-
- 134 ने मुनी प्रागासीत्सुचिराभियोगबलती नीतं परामुद्रतिं [।*] प्रा-
- 135 यः श्रीविजये तदेतदखिलं तत्पीठिकायां स्थिते संक्रान्तं कथमन्यथान-
- 136 तिचिराद्विबेदृ[गी]दृक्षप: ॥ [४६*] विद्योदयीस्ति न मदीस्ति तपीस्ति भास्त्रवी-
- 137 ग्रत्वमस्ति विभुतास्ति न चास्ति मानः [।*] यस्य [अ]ये कमळभद्रमनीख-
- 138 रन्तं यः ख्यातिमापदिष्ठ शाम्यदघैर्मुंगीषेः ॥ [४७*] स्नरणमात्रपवि-
- 139 व्रवममानी भवति यस्य सतामित्र तीर्थिनां [1*] तमतिनिर्माळ-
- 140 मात्मविश्रुडये कमळभद्रसरी[वर]मात्रये ॥ [४८*] सर्व्वागैर्थिमिचालिलं-
- 141 ग समहाभागं कली भारती भास्त[न्तं] गुणरत्नभूषणगणैरप्यग्रि-
- 142 मं योगिनां [1*] तं सन्त स्तुवतामलंकतदयापालाभिधानं मन्दा-
- 143 सूर्रि भूरिधियोव पण्डितपदं यत्रैव युक्तं स्मृता: ॥ [४८*] विजि-
- 144 तमदनदर्णः श्रीदयापालदेवी विदितसकळशास्त्री निर्ज्जिताशेषवा-

¹ Read सुदढप्रेमाणमत्या°.

² Read यमिनां. - [The MS. also reads यिमिनां. - F. K.]







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- 145 दी [1*] विमळतरयशीभिव्याप्तिदक्कित्रवाळी जयित नतमहीमनीलि-
- 146 रतारुणांचि: ॥ [५०*] यस्योपास्य पवित्रपादकमलइंदन्यः पो-
- 147 य्सळी लच्सीं सिविधिमानयत् स विनयादित्यः कृताज्ञा भुवः [।*] कस्तस्या-
- 148 ईति ग्रान्तिदेवयमिनस्नामर्त्थमियं तथेत्याखातुं विरठा: खल् स्फ-
- 149 रदुरुचोतिईशास्ताद्शा: ॥ [५१*] स्त्रामीति पाण्डापृथिवीपतिना निस्-
- 150 ष्टनामाप्तदृष्टि[वि]भवेन निजप्रसादात् [।*] धन्यसा येव² सुनिराह्यम-
- 151 सभूभुगास्यायिकाप्रथितशब्दचतुर्मुखास्य: ॥ [५२*] श्रीमुळ्ळूरवि-
- 152 ड्रसारवसुधारतं सनाधी गुणेनाच्णेन महीचितासुरु-
- 153 म[ह्र]:पिण्डिश्चिरीमण्डन: [।*] স্থাरাध्यी गु[णसी]नपण्डितपतिस्म स्वास्य-कामैर्क्कना
- 154 यत्मूक्ताग[द]गन्धतीपि गळितग्लानीं गतिं लंभिताः ॥ [५३*] वन्दे वन्दि-तमादरादचर-
- 155 इस्खाद्वादिवद्याविदां खान्तधान्तवितानधूननविधी भाखन्तमन्धं भ्वि [1*]
- 156 भित्रा वाजितसनमानितकतां यत्सित्रयोगान्मन:पद्मं सद्म भवेदिका-
- 157 स[वि]भवस्यो[न्स्]क्तिनद्राभरं ॥ [५8*] मिथ्याभाषणभूषणं परिहरितीध्वत्य-⁵
- 158 [मुन्धुं]चत[®] स्थाद्वादं वदतानमेत विनयाद्वादीभकाष्ठीरवं [।*] नी चेत्तइ-
- 159 [इग] जित्युतिभ[य] भानता स्थ युयं यतस्तु एं जियह जी एर्ष कूप-
- 160 [कुह्च]रे वादिहिपा: पातिन: ॥ [५५*] गुणा: कुन्दसंदीड्डमरसमरा वा-गमृतवा:
- 161 [म्ल]वप्रायप्रेय:प्रसरसरसा कीत्तिरिव सा [।*] नखेन्दुज्यो[त्स्न]ांच्रेर्व्पच-
- 162 यचकीरप्रणयिनी न कासां स्नाधानां पदमजितसेनव्रति[पति:]॥ [५६*] सकळ-
- 168 [भुवन]पालानसमूर्जावबबस्सुरितमकुटचूडालीडपादारविन्दः [।*] मद-
- 164 वदखिळवादीभेंद्रक्षंभप्रभेदी गणभ्रदिजतसेनी भाति वादीभिसंह: ॥ [५०*]
- 165 @ चूर्ण्ण @ यस्य संसारवैराग्यवैभवमेवंविधास्स्ववाचस्त्र्चयंति @ प्रा-
- 166 प्तं [अ]ि जिनशासनं त्रिभुवने यहुक्षभं प्राणिनां यत्तंसारसमुद्र-
- 167 मम्नजनता इस्ता[व] लंबायितं [।*] यत्राप्ताः परनि [व्येपे] च सकळ ज्ञान-

¹ Read खन्मीसंनिधि°.

² Read एव.

[ा] The MS. does read स्तागद; see Vienna Or. J. Vol. VII. p. 250.

[·] Read ° म्लानिं.

⁵ Read ^aतीड्रत्य^o.

⁶ The MS. does read ेमुन्स्चत ; see Vienna Or. J. Vol. VII. p. 251.

⁷ The MS. does read o व्यक्ति; see Vienna Or. J. Vol. VII. p. 251.

⁸ Read °बीडपादा°.

- 168 श्रियालंकतास्तस्मात् किं गहनं कुती भयवशः का वात्र देहे रितः ॥ [५८*]
- 169 म्रा[क्षे] खर्थ विदितमधुनानन्तवोध[1]दिरूपं तत्वंप्रास्य तदनु[स]म-
- 170 [यं] वर्त्ततेत्रैव चेत: [।*] त्यक्तान्यस्मि[न् सु]रपतिसुखे चिक्रसीस्थे [च] तृ-
- 171 श्वा तत्तुच्छार्थैर[ल]मलमधीलीभनैक्षींकवृत्तैः ॥ [५८*] अजानदात्मानं सक-क्र[वि]ष-
- 172 यन्नानवपुषं सदा ग्रान्तं स्वान्तःकरणमि [त]त्साधनतया [।*] ब[ह्री]राग-
- 173 नुषितमना: कोपि यततां कथम्मानवेनं [च]णमपि त[तो]न्यत्र यतते @ D.—East Face.
- 174 🕲 चूरिक्ष 🕲 यस्य च शिष्ययो: कविताकान्तवादिकोळाचळाप-
- 175 रनामधेययोः शान्तिनाथपद्मनाभपिष्डतयोरखण्डपाण्डि-
- 176 त्यगुणीपवर्णनिमदमसंपूर्ण @ लामासाध्य महाधियं
- 177 परिगता या विश्वविद्वज्जनज्येष्ठाराध्यगुणा चिरेण सरसा वै-
- 178 दग्ध्यसंपद्गिरा[म् ।*] क्षंत्रसामान्तनिरन्तरोदितयमः त्रीकान्तमा-
- 179 न्ते न तां वक्तं सापि सरस्वती प्रभवति ब्रमः कथन्तत्²ंवयं ॥ [६१*]
- 180 [व्य] वत्तभूरिमदसन्ति विस्नृतेर्थापार्थमात्तकरणाः
- 181 क्ति कान्दिशीकं [1*] धावन्ति इन्त परवादिगजास्त्रसन्तः श्रीपद्मना-
- 182 भव्धगन्धगजस्य गन्धात् ॥ [६२*] दीचा च शिचा च यतो यती-
- 183 नां जैनं तपस्तापहरन्दधानात् [।*] कुमारसेनीवतु
- 184 यचरित्रं श्रेय:पथीदाइरणं पवित्रं ॥ [६३*] जगहरि-
- 185 मघस्ररस्ररमदान्धगन्धद्विपद्विधाकरणकेसरी चरणभूष्य-
- 186 भूभृच्छिख: [।*] दिषड्णवपुस्तपश्चरणचण्डधामीदयो
- 187 द्येत मम मिल्लिणमलधारिदेवी गुरु: ॥ [६४*] वन्दे तं मल-
- 188 धारिणं सुनिपतिं मीइदिषद्याइतिव्यापारव्यवसाय-
- 189 सारह[द]यं सलयमीरुत्रियं [।*] यत्नायीपचयी-
- 190 भवन्यलमपि प्रव्यक्तभिक्तमानमाकममनोिमळन-
- 191 ळमषिप्रचाळनैकचमं ॥ [६५*] अतुच्छतिमिरच्छटाजटिलजनाजी-
- 192 ग्णीटवीदवानळतुळाजुषां पृयुतपःप्रभावत्विषां [।*] पदं
- 193 [प]दपयो रूच्यमितभव्य धंगाव लिर्मामो ससतु म-

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³ Read क्यं तहयम्.

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क्षिषेण[मु]निराणमनीमन्दिरे ॥ [६६*] नैर्माखाय मळाविळांग-
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       मखिळवेळोकाराज्यत्रिये नैष्ठिंचन्यमतुच्छताप-
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      द्भद्ये<sup>।</sup> न्यञ्चतुताशन्तपः [।*] यस्यासी गुणरत्नरीच-
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       स्गिरिश्त्रीमित्रवेसो गुरुर्वेद्यो येन विचित्रचारुचरि-
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       तैर्ज्ञात्री पवित्रीकता ॥ [६७*] यिम्नांनप्रतिमा चमाभिरम-
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          यस्मिंदया निर्देयाश्चेषी यत समत्वधी: प्रण्यिनी
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       यवास्पृहा सस्पृहा [।*] कामविवैतिकामुकस्खय-
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       मधाष्यग्रेसरी योगिनामासर्याय कथन नाम च-
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       रितै: श्रीमक्षिषेणी मुनि: ॥ [६८*] य: पूज्य: <sup>अ</sup>पृथुवीतळे
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       यमनिशं सन्त स्तुवन्धादरात् येनानंगधनुर्ज्जितं सुनि-
203
       जना यसी नमस्त्र्वते [।*] यसादागमनिर्ण्यो यम-
204
       भृतां यस्यास्ति [जी]वे दया यस्त्रिन् श्री[म]लधारिणि ब्र-
205
       तिपती धर्मास्ति तसी नमः ॥ [६८*] धवळसरसतीर्थे सैष स-<sup>7</sup>
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       न्यासधन्यां परिणतिमनुतिष्ठंनन्दिमांनिष्ठितात्म [।*] व्य-
207
       सृजद्निजमंगं भंगमंगी द्ववस्य ग्रथितुमिव समू-
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       लं भावयन् भावना[भि]: [७०*] @ चूरिर्णं @ तेन स्रोमदिजतसे-
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       नपण्डितदेवदिव्यश्रीपादकमळमधुकरीभूतभा-
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       वेन महानुभावेन जैनागमप्रसिद्धसक्केखना[वि]-
211
       धिवस्र ज्यमानदे हेन समाधिविधिविली क[नी] चित-
212
       करणकुतूच्छिमिळितसकळसघसन्तोषनिमित्त-
213
       मालांत:करणपरिणतिप्रकाश्रनाय निरवद्यं
214
       पद्मित्माग्र विरचितं @ ग्राराध्य रत्नतयमा-
215
       गमीतं विधाय निम्मस्यमभेषजन्ती: [।*] समां च क-
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त्वा जिनपादमूली देशं परित्यच्य दिवं विशाम: [७१*] 217

शाके शून्धशरांवरावनिमिते संवत्सर कीलके मासे [फ]ा-218

खानको ^{क्}त्रितीयदिवसे वारेसिते भास्करे [।*] स्वाती स्रेतसरोव-219

रे. सुरपुरं याती यतीनां पतिकीध्याक्ने दिवसत्रया-220

नग्रनत: श्रीमक्किषेणी मुनि: [७२*] @ 221

¹ Read इत्ये.— [The MS. also reads इट्ये.— F. K.]

⁴ Read सुबन्धादराद्येना°. Besd प्रथिवी.

Read प्रति⁰.

⁷ Read संन्यासः

³ Read ⁰ श्रेषा. Read याबान्हीं.

⁸ Read हतीय.

E .- At the Bottom of the East Face.

222 🕲 त्रीमन्मलधारिदेवर गुड्डं विरुद्तेखकमदनमहेश्वरं मिना-

223 [यं] ब[रे]दं । विरुद्रुवारिमु[ख]तिळकं गंगाचारि कंडरिसिदं @

TRANSLATION.

- (Verse 1.) Let him be propitious to the flock of the good (bhavya), as of chakoras, the moon of the glorious Natha race, the blessed Jina Vardhamana, who is to be worshipped by the court of Indra; (who is) a great (and) excellent cluster of light which dispels darkness (and) purifies the world by the streams of nectar (which consist of) the glory of knowledge; (and) through whom, the protector of the good, the great splendour of the ocean of pure religion (dharma) is increasing!
- (V. 2.) Let Gautamasvâmin, the head of a school (ganin), be victorious, whose well-known (other) name Indrabhûti (i.e. he who resembles Indra in power) was full of significance, as, by means of the seven supernatural powers (maharddhi), he placed the three worlds at (his) feet! The unimpeded Mandâkinî (Gangâ) of words, (having risen) from the throat of Vira, as from the slope of the snowy mountain, having entered the ocean of his (viz. Gautama's) intellect, (and) being absorbed by the wise, as by clouds, purifies the world.
- (V. 3.) Let the **Śrutakevalins**, whose knowledge is confident (as it possesses) a thousand kinds of argumentation, derived from the doctrine of the founder of the religion (Tîrthêśa), (and) who are worshipped by the heads of a host of wise men, expose the secrets of false doctrines by (their) thundering words,— just as Indra, whose body is safe (as it possesses) a thousand eyes, produced at the sight of (Gautama) the lord of saints, and who is worshipped by the heads of the host of gods, cut the attributes (i.e. the wings) of the mountains by (his) roaring thunderbolt!
- (V. 4.) Say, how can the greatness be described of Bhadrabâhu, whose arms were engaged in subduing the pride of the great wrestler, delusion? Through the merit acquired by being his disciple, the well-known Chandragupta was served for a very long time by the nymphs of the forest.9
- (V. 5.) By whom on this earth is he not worthy to be worshipped, the pions lord Kaundakunda, who adorned (all) the quarters by (his) fame which possessed the splendour of

¹ i.e. of the Jainas. See Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, pp. 59 and 63 of the Introduction.

² These birds are supposed to subsist on moon-beams.

³ The expression Natha-kul-éndu corresponds to Naya-kula-chanda, 'the moon of the Naya race,' in the Kalpasütra, paragraph 110.—[I have not yet met with Natha as Mahavîra's family name. The Śvêtâmbaras use the form Jñata, and the Digambaras Jñatri, at least in the name of the sixth Anga: Jūatridharmakatha, 'the sermon of Jñatri.'— E. L.]

⁴ The influence of the moon on the tide is alluded to.

^{5 [}The Śvétâmbaras distinguish more than seven riddhis; compare the Aupapátikasútra, paragraph 24, and Hêmachandra's remarks on his Yógaśástra, i. 9.— E. L.]

⁶ Kutkîla, 'a mountain,' is given as a Sanskrit word in Sandersou's Canarese Dictionary. The Trikândasésha has the form kukîla.

^{7 [}Seven kinds of argumentation (naya) are enumerated in the Indische Studien, Vol. XVII. p. 39 (= Ind. Anc. Vol. XXI. p. 308 f. where nace is a misprint for nace). Professor Weber's translation of naya, 'method of conception, exegesis,' meets only those cases in which, as usual, the nayas are brought to bear on the canonical books. In the present verse, however, they refer to mooted problems of a general kind, in which the Śrutakêvalins defeat the followers of other religions by means of their 'kinds of argumentation.'— E. L.]—See also Dr. Bhandar-kar's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 95 f.

⁸ This is an allusion to the story of Ahalya.

The same legend is alluded to in Mr. Rice's inscription No. 40.

the jasmine, (and) who, a bee on the beautiful lotus-hands of magicians, if firmly established sacred knowledge in India (Bharata)?

- (V. 6.) Worthy of worship is he who was skilled in reducing to ashes morbid appetite; on whom an exalted position was conferred by the goddess Padmavatî; who summoned (the Arhat) Chandraprabha by the words of his spells; the head of a school, the teacher Samantabhadra, by whom in this Kali age the Jaina path was suddenly made samantabhadra, (i.e.) prosperous on all sides.
- (Line 18.) Note (chûrni).— The following fine words (sûkti) manifest his display of eagerness to commence disputations:—
- METRE (vritta).— (V. 7.) "At first the drum was beaten by me within the city of Pâṭaliputra,³ afterwards in the country of Mâlava, Sindhu, and Thakka, at Kâñchîpura, (and) at Vaidiśa. I have (now) reached Karahâṭaka, which is full of soldiers, rich in learning, (and) crowded (with people). Desirous of disputation, O king! I exhibit the sporting of a tiger.
- (V. 8.) "While Samantabhadra stands disputing in thy court, O king! even the tongue of Dhūrjaṭi (Śiva), who talks distinctly and skilfully, quickly wanders (back) into (its) hole. What hope (of success is there) for other (opponents)?"
- (V. 9.) The sharp sword of the meditation on the blessed Arhat, which breaks, as a line of stone pillars, the hostile army of destructive sins, was conferred as a boon on him, though he was a (mere) disciple. Otherwise, how could he, together with the sage Simhanandin, have broken by (his) sword the solid stone pillar, which barred the road to the acquisition of the fortune of the kingdom?
- (V. 10.) Could the king of serpents, though he possesses ten hundred throats, adequately praise the power of speech, which overcame the crowd of orators, of the great sage Vakragriva, who, respected by the Sasanadevata, while the necks of the devils, (viz. all) the disputants in this (world), were bent with shame, briefly discussed the meaning of the word atha 7 during six months.
- (V. 11.) O lords of poets! your praises will not reach him in spite of all trouble; make a profound obeisance to the sage Nandin whose (name) begins with Vajra (i.e. Vajranandin), who composed the Navastôtra, which is pleasant as an excellent composition, containing the variety of the doctrines of all the Arhats!

² The learned Brahmasûri Śastri informs me that the meaning of the word bhasmaka is thus explained in Vadibhasimha's Kshatrachudamani:— भद्यकाख्यी महारीगी भुत्रं यी भद्यविद्यात्. Compare Mr. Rice's Introduction, p. 61.

3 सध्यनगरे appears to stand for नगरमध्ये.

4 Brahmasûri Sâstrî gave me the following explanation of the expression gháti-mala: — भारानी जानगुरं इन्तीति चाति तदेव मनं पापम्. The four ghátini karmáni are specified in Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 93, note 1.

⁵ At first sight this pronoun would appear to refer to Samantabhadra, whose name was mentioned in the preceding verse. But, as noticed by Mr. Rice, it is more probable that the pronoun points to the mythical Ganga king Kongani; see p. 186 above.

6 The only possible way in which I can explain the second half of this difficult yerse, is to assume that परि-सन्ध is meant for परिवर्धित.

¹ [Chârana probably means here 'a Jaina monk endowed with magical powers.' In this sense the word occurs occasionally as an abbreviation of vidyâ-chârana. I cannot vouch for the correctness of this translation as I do not know if the tradition of the Digambaras connects Kundakunda with a professor of legerdemain like Khaputâchârya.— E. L.]

⁷ we is generally the first word of Sanskrit books ...

- (V. 12.) Great is the might of the preceptor Pâtrakêsarin, on account of whose devotion (the goddess) Padmavati became (his) helpmate in disproving (the theory of) the three qualities.1
- (V. 13.) Praise that Su[matidêva], who, out of affection for you, composed the Sumatisantaka. which displays crores of wise thoughts (and) removes the pain of worldly existence to those who avoid the wrong path and desire the path of truth!
- (V. 14.) O wonder!2 Having brightly risen in the southern region, the sage Kumarasena set (i.e. died) in the same (region), (and) the splendour (of the fame) of this unique sun of the world remains the same (after his death).
- (V. 15.) How could not men, experiencing sweet pleasure, praise that noble chief of sages. Chintâmani, who composed (for use) in every house the Chintâmani, which contains fine thoughts on virtue, wealth, pleasure, and salvation?
- (V. 16.) Only Śrivarddhadeva, (who was) the crest-jewel of poets (and) the author of a poem, called Chûlâmani, which is worthy of study, has performed (sufficient) pious deeds (in former births) for earning fame.
 - (Line 42.) Note. He was thus praised in verse by Dandin :-
- (V. 17.) "Paramêśvara (Śiva) bore Jahnu's daughter (Gangâ) on the top of (his) matted hair. Thou, O Śrivarddhadeva! bearest Sarasvatî (the goddess of speech) on the tip of (thy) tongue."
- (V. 18.) Granted that, (like the sage Mahêśvara, the god Mahêśvara) has overcome Cupid, supports a troop (of demigods, alias disciples), (and) touches with (his) feet the crests of mountains (alias, of kings). But who in this (world) can (sufficiently) praise that sage Mahêsvara, whose standard (the god) Mahêsvara is not able to reach, as he knew all arts (kala), (while Siva wears only the crescent (kala) of the moon on his head), (and) as the celestial river (Ganga) of his fame flowed over the glittering diadems of the eight regents of the points of the compass, (while from Siva's head the Ganga descends on earth)?
- (V. 19.) Worthy of worship is that lord of sages, Mahêśvara, who was victorious in seventy great disputations and in innumerable others, (and) who was worshipped (even) by the Brahmarakshas.3
- (V. 20.) Within whose reach is that pious saint 4 Akalanka, by whom (the Buddhist goddess) Târâ that had secretly descended into a pot 5 as dwelling-place, was overcome together with the Bauddhas; before whom the gods of the heretics, - who were burdened with (his) chair (which they) carried (on their shoulders), - folded the hands for worship; and in the dust of whose lotus-feet Sugata (i.e. Buddha) performed an ablution,6 in order to atone, as it were, for (his) sins?
- (Line 51.) Note.— The following is reported to be his own description of the unrivalled power of his blameless learning:-
- (V. 21.) "O king Sahasatunga! There are many kings with white parasols; but (kings) who are as victorious in war, (and) as distinguished by liberality, as thou, are hard

Brahmasúrí Śástrî informs me that the three qualities (lakshana) of existing matter (sat) are utpada, cyaya and dhrauvya; compare Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 95. According to Mr. Pathak (Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 232), the trilakshana-hêtu is discussed and refuted in Pâtrakêsarin's Ashtasahasri and Pramanapariksha.

The "wonder" consists in Kumarasêna's rising, setting, and remaining in the South, whereby he differed from the sun, which rises in the East and sets in the West.

³ [By brahmarakshas I understand 'Brâhmanas defeated in disputations.'— E. L.]

Here and in verse 24 the word dêva appears to have this meaning.

The legend of the pot is narrated in one of the Mackenzie manuscripts (Taylor's Catalogue, Vol. III. p. 424), and in certain Jaina works (Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, p. 45 f. of the Introduction). According to verse 23, Akalanka kicked Buddha's image with his foot.

to find. Thus, there are (many) scholars in the Kali age; (but) none (among them) are such poets, such masters among disputants, so eloquent, (and) of minds equally skilled by the study of various sciences, as I."

(Line 55.) Obeisance to Mallishêṇa-Maladhâridêva!1

- (V. 22.) "As thou, O king! art known here (on earth) to be skilled in subduing the arrogance of all enemies, so am I famed on this earth as the destroyer of the whole pride of scholars. If not, here I am, (and) here in thy court good (and) great men are always present. Whose is the power to speak, let him dispute (with me), if he should know all sciences!
- (V. 23.) "(It was) not because (my) mind was influenced by self-conceit (or) merely filled with hatred, (but) because (I) felt pity for those people who, having embraced Atheism, were perishing, that, in the court of the glorious king Himasitala, I overcame all the crowds of Bauddhas, most of whom had a shrewd mind, and broke (the image of) Sugata with (my) foot."
- (V. 24.) The only abode of greatness (is) that holy sage, the saint Pushpasêna, whose colleague was that holy one. (Is) not among flowers the lotus, whose friend is the sun, the only site in this (world) of the sports of (the goddess) $\hat{S}r\hat{i}$?
- (V. 25.) If scholars were able to understand properly the difficult style, which subdued the pride of all disputants, of the preceptor Vimalachandra, the king of sages, would (they) not then be able to explain (the style) of (Brihaspati) the lord of speech?
- (Line 67.) Note.— For, the following verse, which caused pain to the hearts of opponents, (records that) he hung up a letter (in public): 3—
- (V. 26.) "To the gate of the spacious palace of Śatrubhayamkara, which is constantly thronged with passing troops of horses and numbers of mighty elephants of various kings, the high-minded Âsâmbara (i.e. Digambara) Vimalachandra eagerly affixed a letter (addressed) to the Śaivas, the Pâśupatas, the sons of Tathâgata (i.e. Buddha), the Kâpâlikas, (and) the Kâpilas."
- (V. 27.) O good men! if you are afraid of being overcome by the devil of sin, then serve the holy sage Indranandin, who was worshipped by many kings!
- (V. 28.) Who (was) skilled in crores of chains of arguments?⁴ Doubtlessly the eloquent Paravadimalladeva, the king of scholars,⁵ alone.
- (Line 75.) Note.— He addressed the following etymological interpretation of his own name to Krishharaja, who had asked for (his) name:—
- (V. 29.) "That (view) which is different from the accepted view, is 'the other' (para); those who profess this, are 'the professors of the other (view)' (paravâdinaḥ); he who wrestles with these, (is) 'the wrestler with the professors of the other (view)' (Paravâdimalla): This name good men declare (to be) my name."
- (V. 30.) Let him be carried on the head (i.e. worship him), the ascetic Aryadêva, the best of teachers, the establisher of the (Jaina) doctrine (râddhânta), who, being engaged in (the

¹ These words have no connection with the context and are merely introduced in order to fill up the vacant space at the end of the last line of the north face of the pillar.

² The word सभवान, by which Akalanka (verse 20) appears to be meant here, occurs again in line 132 f Professor Kielhorn informs me that, according to the *Mahábháshya* on Pâṇini, v. 3, 14, it is used like भवभवान and तवभवान.

³ [As here *âlambana*, the verb *lambayati* đenotes the 'hanging up in public' of a half-slôka in the story of Brahmadatta; Professor Jacobi's Ausgewählte Erzählungen in Mâhâráshtri, p. 18, lines 21 and 24, and p. 140 of the Glossary, where the word is erroneously translated by 'spreading.'— E. L.]

[•] Literally, 'in statements about the pot' (ghata), which is one of the favourite examples of the Naiyâyikas, and evidently of the Jainas as well; see Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 95.

⁵ With vidam devah compare pandita-deva in line 210.

observance of) abandoning the body, abandoned the body for ever at the end of the festival of (his) going to heaven!

- (V. 31.) It is reported that, if those who wanted to test (his) self-restraint, placed a straw on his ear, (even) when his attention was dormant and absent at the hour appointed for sleeping, he slowly wiped the ear with the peacock's tail, made way for that (imaginary) insect by gently turning round, and lay down (again).
- (V. 32.) O wise men! Worship aloud that head of a school (ganin), Chandrakirti, whose fame resembled the moon in splendour, whose speech was sweet, (and) who, out of compassion towards the weak-minded disciples of this age, by means of (his) intellect alone, which was as sharp as the kuśa (grass), condensed into a minimum of doctrine the whole meaning (of the books) which the chief disciples had composed with too great verbosity!
- (V. 33.) We worship the lord called Karmaprakriti, who had completely mastered the (Jaina) doctrine (kritanta), who was disposed to deeds of pure merit, (and) by obeisance to whom emancipation from the (eight) terrible kinds of deeds (is obtained).
- (V. 34.) To be worshipped is Śrîpaladêva, from whom the good (receive) the knowledge which discerns the truth, (and) who was content with the simple title Traividya (i.e. versed in the three Vêdas), though he had by his own mouth explained all sciences.
- (V. 35.) The high-minded preceptor, the holy Matisagara (i.e. the ocean of wisdom), from whom were produced shining pearls that were increasing in splendour, (viz.) many excellent pure virtues, which became ornaments of the heads of the rulers of the earth, (and) in whom the mass of the water of darkness (or ignorance) was drunk up by the glittering light (of knowledge, or of the submarine fire),— made the circle of the earth a pure holy place.
- (V. 36.) Alone victorious (is) that great sage Hêmasêna, bearing the pure title Vidyâ-dhanamjaya,6 at whose attack even (Śiva) the abode of ashes, who wears the lovely crescent of the beautifully shining moon, becomes powerless.
- (Line 99.) Note.— The following verse, (which contains) a vow (made) by him in the king's court, caused the opponents, who, like children, had ascended the mountain of false pride, to become unsteady with the fear of falling to the ground through defeat:—
- (V. 37.) "Whoever, inflated by (his) practice in logic (and) grammar and by (his) wisdom, competes with me in disputation before learned umpires in the presence of kings, on that

¹ A definition of the observance of kâyôtsarga is given in Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 98, noté 3.

² Śrutabindu may be the name of a work by Chandrakîrti.— [According to Dr. Klatt's Jaina-Onomasticon, Professor Peterson's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883, Appendix, p. 32 f. notices two works by Chandrakîrtigani, the second of which bears the title Siddhântôddhâra, 'extracts from the canonical books,' and may be identical with the Śrutabindu, though it appears to belong to the Śvetâmbara literature.— E. L.]

³ [The Ganadhiśvaras are the same as the Ganadharas or pupils of Mahavîra. For to these the tradition attributes the authorship of the canonical scriptures which, according to the present verse, were condensed in the Scutabindu.— E. L.]

⁴ The metre appears to be responsible for the irregular use of the locative námni instead of the instrumental námná.—[An ancient work, named Karmaprakriti, is already quoted by Śilânka, unless he means Prajūāpaná, chapter xxiii. which is also entitled Karmaprakriti; but the author's name appears to be Śivaśarman. There may have been other compendiums with the same title. The following reference to the Karmaprakriti occurs in Jinasêna's Harivamíapurána, chapter lxvi. verse 30:— द्यार कर्ममलति युति च यो जितावहत्तिजयसेनसङ्ग्राः.— E. L.]— Karmaprakriti may have been the name of both a book and its author, just as Chintâmani in verse 15.

[[]The eight kinds of karman are enumerated, e.g., in Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on Skt. MSS. 1883-84, p. 93, note, and p. 97, note.— E. L.]

[•] This surname is explained in the relative sentence which follows it. As Arjuna, also called Dhanamjaya, fought with Siva, who was disguised as a Kirâta, Hêmasêna defeated the Saivas in disputation through his superior knowledge (vidya).

scholar I shall inevitably inflict a thorough defeat, which cannot be measured (i.e. described) by words. Know, O king! that such is the belief of Hêmasêna!"

- (V. 38.) To be praised aloud is that sage Dayapala, whose $Hitar\hat{u}pasiddhi$ was composed in noble style for men desirous of $(their\ own)$ welfare, (and) who, celebrated for (his) power, $(was\ carried)$ on the head $(i.e.\ worshipped)$ by the good.
- (V. 39.) The only exceedingly virtuous person is the ascetic Dayâpâla, the lord whose preceptor was the holy Matisâgara, the producer of a moon of glittering fame; whose fellow-student was the holy Vâdirâja, the head of a school; (and) in whose mind (dwelt) hatred of his own body;—we need hardly mention that (he) called the wives of others devils.
- (V. 40.) A speech which illumined the three worlds (trailôkyadîpikâ), has issued only from two persons on this (earth); one (was) the king of Jinas (Jinarâja), the other, Vâdirâja.
- (V. 41.) To be served by the wise is the holy Vâdirâja, whose fame, like a (royal) parasol, constantly covered the sky (and) desired (to outshine) the disc of the moon; near whose ears glittered masses of speeches, like rows of tails of female chamaras; the might of whose chair was to be worshipped (even) by lions; (and) at the greatness of whose excellence loud cheers were uttered by all the disputants, as by subjects.
 - (Line 117.) Note.— To his virtues refers the following play of words of the poets:—
 (Line 118.) Obeisance to the Arhat!
- (V. 42.) "In the victorious capital of the glorious Châlukya emperor (chakréśvara), (which is) the birth-place of the goddess of Speech, the sharp-sounding drum of the victorious Vâdirâja suddenly roams about. (The drum sounds) "jahi" (i.e. strike!), (as though) its pride in disputation were rising; (it sounds) "jahihi" (i.e. give up!), (as though) it were filled with the conceit of being convincing; (it sounds) "jahâhi" (i.e. give up!), (as though) it were envious of the speech (of others); (and it sounds) "jahâhi" (i.e. give up!), (as though) it boasted of clear, soft, sweet and pleasant poetry!
- (V. 43.) "The king of serpents, whose thousand tongues are well-known lives in the lower world; (and) Dhishana (Brihaspati), whose pupil is (Indra) the bearer of the thunderbolt, will not leave heaven. Let these two live on account of the strength (i.e. the inaccessibility) of their abode! What other disputants in this court of the lord do not abandon all conceit and bow to the victorious Vâdirâja?

¹ Matisâgara means 'the ocean of wisdom,' and the moon is supposed to have been produced from the ocean. Compare verse 35.

³ I had originally taken *dstdm* as 3rd du. imperf. of as and as predicate of both katha and nigrahah. Professor Kielhorn pointed out to me that it is better to take it as the 3rd sing. imper. of as.

In the case of Vådiråja this may imply that he was the author of a book entitled Trailókyadipikā. A Jaina geographical work of this name is referred to by Wilson, Mackenzie Collection, p. 169.—[A Digambara work entitled Trailókyadipikā has Indravåmadêva for its author. But the same title occurs elsewhere, also among the Švětåmbaras. The author's name, as given in the inscription, viz. Vådiråja, is a frequent epithet which makes any final identification impossible.— E. L.]

⁴ This verse institutes a comparison between a king and Vådiråja, whose name means 'the king of disputants.' The subjects of the king are represented by the disputants, and his parasol by Vådiråja's fame. For the king's chauris the author discovered an equivalent in Vådiråja's speeches, which, like the former, were near the ears, because they proceeded from the mouth, and which resembled the former in whiteness, because they exposed the teeth. As chamarija for châmara, vágja appears to be used for vânmaya.

⁵ This alludes to the lion-throne (simhdsana) of kings.

⁶ Compare page 201 above, note 1.

⁷ Nishiandam is the same as the usual ak inde.

This appears to refer to the Châlukya emperor mentioned in the last verse. Professor Kielhorn pointed out to me that inasabha is a neuter according to the Káśika on Pârini, ii., 423.

- (V. 44.) "Let them protect you, these loud shouts for help! of the ancient sage (i.e. Brahmâ):—'Now this holy sage Vâdirâja eagerly takes away from my side the goddess of Speech, whose affection (has become) very strong through (his) long familiarity (with her). Ah! Ah! Look! Look! Is this the way of ascetics?'"
- (V. 45.) Wise, endowed with superhuman qualities, (and) dispelling darkness (or ignorance) by the rays of true knowledge (was) he whose famous name commenced with the word Śrî and ended with Vijaya. The splendour of his fine moon-like toe-nails mingled with the dawn-like redness produced by the jewels on the head of the Ganga king.
- (Line 132.) Note.— For, this holy one was praised by the holy Vâdirâjadêva (as follows):—
- (V. 46.) "All that double excellence of learning and penance, which, before, in the holy sage Hêmasêna had been brought to the highest pitch through very long application, must have devolved on Śrivijaya when he occupied his chair. How else (could he acquire) such learning (and) such penance in a short time?"
- (V. 47.) I worship that lord of sages, Kamalabhadra, who obtained fame on this (earth) by floods of sin-destroying virtues, (and) who possessed proficiency in learning (but) no conceit, brilliant penance (but) no fierceness, might (but) no pride.
- (V. 48.) I resort to him, in order to purify myself,—the extremely pure Kamala-bhadra, (who resembles) an excellent lake, by the mere thought of which the mind of (all) good pilgrims (or disciples) on this (earth) becomes perfectly pure.
- (V. 49.) Let (all those) good men who are considered as learned on this (earth), praise that great scholar (sûri), who adorned (i.e. appropriately bore) the name Dayâpâla, to whom alone the title of Pandita was suitable, the extremely fortunate one who, though the foremost of ascetics,² was resplendent with numerous ornaments of jewels, (viz.) virtues, (and) was embraced in this Kali (age) by the goddess of Speech with all (her) parts!
- (V. 50.) Victorious is the holy **Dayapaladeva**, who subdued the pride of Cupid, who knew all sciences, who conquered all disputants, whose extremely pure fame pervaded the circle of (all) quarters, (and) whose feet were reddened by the jewels in the diadems of bowing kings.
- (V. 51.) Who is able to describe as "such and such" the ability of that ascetic Santidêva, having worshipped whose pair of pure lotus-feet, the well-known Poysala king Vinayâditya brought to the presence of the goddess of (his) kingdom (other) countries, which fulfilled (his) commands? Rare indeed are (men) who possess such brilliant and great splendour.
- (V. 52.) Fortunate is that sage, on whom the Pâṇḍya king, who had received a wealth of knowledge through his favour, conferred the title "Lord" (Svâmin), (and) whose name Śabdachaturmukha was celebrated in the court of king Âhavamalla.
- (V. 53.) To be worshipped by those who desire (their own) welfare, is that lord of Panditas, Gunasêna, the jewel of the beryl⁴ (producing) country near Śrî-Mullûra,⁵

¹ I had originally translated the adjective abrahmanya-parâh by 'impious.' Professor Kielhorn pointed out to me that it refers to the exclamation 'abrahmanyam!'

² A similar virôdhabhasa occurs in verse 68, and gives rise to a joke at the expense of Brahma in verse 44.

³ i.e. who was converted to the Jaina religion.

⁴ Vidûrasâra is synonymous with vaidûrya (or vaidûrya) and vidûraja (or vidûraja). The only locality in Southern India, where beryls are found, is Padiyûr or Pattiyâli in the Dhârâpuram tâlukâ of the Coimbatore district; see Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 237 ff.

⁵ There is a village named Mullûr in the Udipi tâlukâ of the South Canara district; Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 232.

- endowed with faultless¹ excellence, a mass of great splendour, the ornament of the heads of kings, through the mere smell of the medicine of whose good words, men were made to attain the condition which is devoid of decay.
- (V. 54.) I worship thee, O Ajitasêna! who art another sun on earth in dispelling the mass of darkness in the heart, who art eagerly worshipped day by day by those who know the science of Scepticism ($Sy\hat{a}dv\hat{a}da$), (and) through whose contact the lotus of the mind of those who devoutly bow (before thee), shakes off the burden of sleep (and) becomes the abode of wide expansion (or knowledge).
- (V. 55.) Avoid the ornament of false speech! Give up haughtiness! Profess Scepticism (Syâdvâda)! Modestly bow before Vâdîbhakanṭhîrava! If not, you will be perplexed by fear at the hearing of the loud roar of him, by whom the elephants, (viz.) the disputants, are quickly precipitated into the pit of the ruined well of refutation.
- (V. 56.) Of which praise is he not worthy, the lord of ascetics, Ajitasêna? (His) virtues successfully rival the glitter of the jasmine; (his) voice wafts nectar; (his) fame appears to be as charming in gracefully floating, as the plava (duck); (and) the splendour of the moon-like nails of (his) feet is desired by a crowd of kings, as by chakôra (birds).
- (V. 57.) Resplendent is Ajitasêna, (alias) Vâdîbhasimha,³ the head of a school (ganabhrit), who split the temples of all the mast mighty elephants, (viz.) the disputants, (and) whose lotus-feet were kissed by the tops of the glittering diadems, worn on the bowing heads of all kings.
- (Line 165.) Note.— The following words of his own indicate the intensity of his indifference to the world:—
- (V. 58.) "(I) have entered the holy religion of Jina (Jina-śāsana), which is difficult to be obtained by (all) living beings in the three worlds, which resembles a support for the hands of men who are immersed in the ocean of the world, (and) the adherents of which are adorned by the glory of complete knowledge that is regardless of other (knowledge). Therefore, what is difficult (for me)? Of what (should I be) afraid? Or, what pleasure (have I) in this body?
- (V. 59.) "Now (I) know that the sovereignty of the soul has the form of infinite knowledge, etc. In order to obtain that (sovereignty), this (my) mind is intent on this (knowledge) alone in accordance with the doctrine. (I have) given up the desire for other happiness, (viz.) that of a lord of gods, and that of an emperor. Therefore, enough, enough of the ways of the world, the purpose of which is idle, (and) which attract the ignorant!
- (V. 60.) "Let one strive (in vain), whose mind is polluted by external love and hatred, (and) who does not know that the soul has for its body the knowledge of all objects, (and) that his own mind (must be) constantly tranquil, in order to become the instrument of that (knowledge)! How (could) one who knows this (soul), even for a moment strive for anything but that (knowledge)?"
- (Line 174.) Note.— The following description of the eminence of the vast scholarship of his two disciples, the *Panditas* Śântinâtha and Padmanâbha, whose other names were Kavitâkânta and Vâdikôlâhala (respectively), is (still) incomplete:—
- (V. 61.) "O holy Kântaśânti, whose fame rose without interval in all directions! Even Sarasvatî is not able to describe that lovely abundance of skill in speech, which (men)

[[]The word kshûna, 'fault, defect,' is peculiar to the Jaina Sanskrit. Its etymology is obscure. The Prâkrit form khûna occurs in Professor Jacobi's Ausgewählte Erzählungen in Mâhârâshtri, p. 105 of the Glossary.— E. L.]

² i.e. 'the lion to the elephants, (riz.) the disputants.' This was a biruda of Ajitasêna; see verse 57.

³ See the preceding note.

experienced at last on approaching thee whose intellect was great, (and) the eminence of which was to be worshipped by the best of all scholars. Therefore, how (can) we describe (it)?

- (V. 62.) "Having lost the abundance of their great pride, having forgotten the fierceness of their envy, uttering pitiable cries, (and) not knowing to which direction to turn,— the elephants, (viz.) the opponents in disputations, ah! run away trembling at the (very) smell of the mast elephant, (viz.) the holy scholar Padmanabha."
- (V. 63.) Let him protect (us), Kumârasêna, who possessed Jaina penance which removes pain, from whom ascetics (received) both initiation and instruction, (and) whose pure life (was) an example of the path to bliss!
- (V. 64.) Let him have mercy on me, the preceptor Mallishêṇa-Maladhâridêva, the lion who split in two the mast elephant, blind with fury, (viz.) Cupid, the destroyer of the dignity of people; by whose feet the crests of kings were to be adorned; (and) whose practice of the austerities which consist of twice six (i.e. twelve) kinds,² (was as brilliant) as the rising of the sun!³
- (V. 65.) I worship that lord of sages, Maladhârin, whose heart was firmly resolved to be engaged in beating the enemy, delusion, (and) who was exceedingly resplendent with true self-restraint. Even the dirt which had collected on his body, (was) alone able to wash off the soot of the ugly impurity, which had gathered in the minds of those who bowed (before him) in the manner of manifest devotion.⁴
- (V. 66.) Let him sport in the dwelling of my mind, the king of sages, Mallishena, whose lotus-feet attracted a crowd of good men, (as) a bevy of bees, (and who was) the abode of the splendour of the power of great penance, which resembled a fire for burning the ancient forest of mundane existence, filled with a mass of deep darkness!
- (V. 67.) Worthy to be worshipped is that Rôhaṇa mountain of gem-like virtues,⁵ the holy preceptor Mallishêṇa, whose body was covered with dirt in order to remove the impurity (of sin), who was poor in order (to obtain) the glory of the kingdom of all the three worlds, (who practised) penance which surpassed fire (in heat), in order to remove the great pain (of human life), (and) who purified the earth by (his) wonderfully beautiful conduct.
- (V. 68.) How should he not (create) wonder on account of (his) conduct, the holy sage **Mallish**êṇa, in whom unequalled forbearance delights, whom mercy violently embraces, whom impartiality loves, whom freedom from covetousness covets, (and) who, though himself a lover of final emancipation, yet (is) the foremost of ascetics? 6
- (V. 69.) Obeisance to that holy lord of ascetics, Maladhârin, who is worthy to be worshipped on earth, whom the good incessantly praise with eagerness, by whom Cupid's bow was conquered, to whom sages pay homage, from whom ascetics (obtain) decisions (on doubtful points) in the Âgamas, who has mercy on living beings, (and) in whom resides the religion (dharma)!
- (V. 70.) At the tirtha of Dhavalasarasa, he, striving at ripeness which was blessed by renunciation, full of joy, with firm mind, (and) exercising (his body) in the (five) methods (of

¹ This verse illustrates Padmauabha's surname Vadikôlahala, i.e. 'the tumult of disputants.'

² [The twice six kinds of austerities are the six external (bāhira-tapas) and the six internal (abhyantara-tapas). Regarding their names and the whole classification of tapas, see the Aupapátikasútra, paragraph 30.—E. L.]

In comparing the twelve kinds of austerities to the sun, the author alludes to one of the names of the latter, wiz. Dvådasatman.

⁴ This sentiment is suggested by the name of Maladharin, which means 'the bearer of dirt.'

⁵ The Rôhana mountain (Adam's Peak) is celebrated for its mines of precious stones.

⁵ See page 204 above, note 2.

káyôtsarga), abandoned (his) unstable body, in order to produce, as it were, the complete destruction of (Cupid) who springs from the body.

(Line 209.) Note.— When this noble disciple of ² the holy Ajitasêna, the king of Panditas, was about to abandon his body by the rite of sallékhanâ, which is celebrated in the Âgamas of the Jainas, he quickly composed the following faultless verse (padya), in order to illustrate the ripeness of his own mind, (and) in order to give delight to the whole Congregation (Samgha) that had assembled with the desire of witnessing the rite of samâdhi, and of performing (the services) usual (on such occasions):—

(V. 71.) "Having obtained the triad of jewels,³ proclaimed in the **Âgamas**, having reached freedom from pain,⁴ and having practised forbearance with all beings, we abandon the body at the feet of Jina and go to heaven."

(V. 72.) In the Śâka (year) measured by the sky (0), the arrows (5), the sky (0), and the earth (1), (i.e. 1050), in the (cyclic) year Kîlaka, in the month of Phâlgunaka, on the third day, in the dark (fortnight), on a Sunday, nuder (the nakshatra) Svâti, at noon, at Śvêtasarôvara,— the holy sage Mallishêna, the lord of ascetics, went to the city of the gods in consequence of three days' fasting

(Line 222.) (The above) was written by Mallinatha, (who was) a lay-disciple 6 of the holy Maladharideva, (and who surpassed all) writers of eulogies, just as Mahêsvara (burnt) Cupid. (It) was engraved by Gangachari, the head-ornament of engravers 8 of eulogies.

No. 27.- KOLHAPUR INSCRIPTION OF THE SILAHARA VIJAYADITYA;

SAKA-SAMVAT 1065.

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This inscription is on a stone in front of the Jaina temple near the Sukravâra gate of the city of Kôlhâpur, in the Kôlhâpur State, Bombay Presidency. An imperfect account of its contents, with a kind of facsimile of the text, will be found in Major Graham's Statistical Report

tavêṇa 1 sattêṇa 2 suttêṇa 3 êgattêṇa 4 balêṇa ya 5 | tulaṇâ pañchabâ vuttâ Jiṇakappam paḍivajjaô # paḍhamâ uvassayammî, bîyâ bâbi, taïyâ chaükkammi | suunaharammi chaütthî, aha pañchamiyâ masâṇammi #

"The tulana (or bhavana) of one who follows the Jina-kalpa, is declared (to be) fivefold, viz. 1. tapast, 2. sattvėna, 3. sūtrėna, 4. ėkatvėna, and 5. balėna.

² Literally, 'he whose mind had become a bee at the divine lotus-feet of.'

^ नि:म्ब्य appears to be incorrectly used in the sense of नि:म्ब्यव-

5 The words वारेसिते भास्तरे appear to stand for असितपचे भास्तरवारे.

⁷ The word biruda appears to be used in the sense of prasasti.

¹ [The words (angam) bhâvayan bhâvanâbhih correspond to the stereotyped expression appânam bhâvanâhim bhacêmânê (âtmânam bhâvanâbhir bhâvayan), and the words vyasrijad angam are a paraphrase of kâyôtsargam akarôt, 'he practised the kâyôtsarga,' in the observance of which five methods (bhâvanâ) are distinguished. The following two verses contain the names of the five bhâvanâs or tulanâs, and the places in which the five subdivisions of the second bhâvanâ are practised:—

[&]quot;The first (sattva-bhávaná) (is practised) in a convent or other residence (upáśraya), the second, outside (bahih), the third, on a chauk (chatushka), the fourth, in a solitary house (śūnya-ghara), and the fifth, on a cemetery (śmaśána)."— E. L.]

³ The three ratnas are jūdna, daršana, and châritra or dharma; see Dr. Bhandarkar's Report on Skt. MSS 1883-84, p. 100.

On gudda, 'a disciple,' see Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 36, note 4, and Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravana Belgola, pp. 35 and 40 of the Introduction.

⁸ Rûrâri is probably a tadbhara of rûpakârin; compare pûjdri for pûjâkârin.

of the Principality of Kolhapoor, p. 358. I now edit the inscription from an excellent impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

The inscription contains 31 lines of writing which covers a space of about 2'3" broad by 2'1" high, and is in a perfect state of preservation. Above the writing are some sculptures: in the centre, a seated Jaina figure facing full front, on its proper right a cow with a calf, and on the left a crooked sword or dagger; and above these, on the right the moon, and on the left the sun.— The average size of the letters is about $\frac{1}{2}$ ".— The characters are Old-Kanarese.— The language, up to the middle of 1.28, is Sanskrit; the remaining lines consist of a verse in Old-Kanarese. The Sanskrit portion is in prose, excepting that lines 1-3 contain two verses in the Anushtubh metre. In respect of orthography, I need only state that the rules of saidhi have been frequently disregarded, and that the sign of the upadhmāniya (which does not differ from the sign for r) has been employed in arhataḥ=Purudēvasya, at the commencement of 1.3. As regards the language of the Sanskrit part, 1.18 contains the word hadapavaļa (denoting perhaps a dependent) which is not Sanskrit, and a few other terms which are not Sanskrit occur in the list of birudas in lines 10-12.

The inscription records a grant of land by the Mahâmandalesvara Vijayâdityadêva of the Śilâhâra family.1 Opening with two verses2 which glorify the Jaina faith, it gives in lines 3-15 the following genealogy and description of the donor: - In the Śilâhâra Kshatriya lineage was a prince Jatiga, who had four sons, Gonkala, Gûvala, Kîrtirâja, and Chandrâditya. Of these, the prince Gonkala had a son named Marasimha. His sons were Gûvala, Gangadêva, Ballaladêva, Bhôjadêva, and Gandaradityadêva. And Gandaradityadêva's son was the Mahâmandalêśvara, who had attained the five mahâśubdas, the illustrious Vijayâdityadêva, distinguished by such titles as 'the supreme lord of the excellent city of Tagara, the illustrious Śilahara prince, surpassing by his innate charms the lord of the gods, begotten in the lineage of Jîmûtavâhana, famous for his heroism, having a golden Garuda in his ensign, a god of love to maidens, the breaker of the pride of hostile rulers of districts, maruvaika-sarpa,3 ayyanasinga, prominent in all excellent qualities, terrific to hostile rulers of districts, to those whom he hates what the lion is to elephants, iduvarâditya, a Vikramâditya of the Kali age, in beauty of form Nârâyana, by his policy surpassing Chârâyana,4 a conqueror of mountain fortresses, a vituperator of his adversaries, śanivāra-siddhi,5 whose mind is given solely to what is right, who has obtained the favour of a boon from the goddess Mahâlakshmî, and who by nature owns the fragrancy of musk.'

According to lines 15-26, this Vijayâdityadêva, ruling in comfort at his residence of Vaļavâḍa,— on the occasion of a lunar eclipse on Monday, the full-moon tithi of the month Mâgha of the Dundubhi year, when 1065 Śaka years had elapsed,— granted a field, which by the measure of the Kûṇḍi country measured one quarter of a nivartana, and a dwelling-house measuring 12 hustas, both belonging to the village of Hâvina-Hêrilage in the

¹ See Dr. Fleet's Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts, p. 98 ff.; Dr. Bhandarkar's Early History of the Dekkan, p. 92 ff.; and Dr. Bhagvanlal Indraji in Jour. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XIII. p. 15.

The first of these verses occurs frequently at the commencement of Jaina inscriptions; the second speaks of the Jaina doctrine as the doctrine of the Arbat Purudêva, a name which I have not met with elsewhere.

³ According to Dr. Fleet, either 'as venomous as a snake in its place of shelter,' or 'as venomous as a snake to any one who intrudes on its place of shelter;' see Archæological Survey of Western India, Cave-Temple Inscriptions, p. 103, note.

⁴ I do not know of any Chârâyana who was famous for his politic conduct. The name has been used here simply because it rhymes best with Nârâyana. An inscription in which the same arrangement of the birudas has been carried to excess, will be found in Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Sravanz-Belgola, pp. 36-37 (No. 53).

⁵ This has been translated by 'he whose desires (or wishes) are accomplished on Saturdays;' see *Ind. Ant.* Vol. II. p. 303; *Jour. Bo. As. Soc.* Vol. XIII. p. 6; Mr. Rice, *loc. cit.* p. 91. A deity called Śanivārasiddhidêva is mentioned several times in a fragmentary inscription at Kölhāpur of Śaka-Samvat 1161.

⁶ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 16, l. 4; Vol. XVI. p. 20; Vol. XIX. p. 244.

district of Ajiragekholla, for the eightfold worship¹ of Pârsvanâthadêva at a shrine which had been established at the said village by a certain Vâsudêva, a dependent (? haḍapavaļa) of the Sâmanta Kâmadêva and disciple of Mâghanandisiddhântadêva, the head of the Pustaka gachchha of the Dêsîya gaṇa of the Mûla saṅgha and priest of the Jaina temple of the holy Rûpanârâyaṇa at Kshullakapura, and for the purposes of keeping the shrine in proper repair and of providing food for the ascetics of the shrine,—having washed the feet of Mâṇikyanandipaṇḍita (apparently the superintendent of the shrine) who was another disciple of Mâghanandisiddhântadêva, and exempting the grant from all taxes and molestations. Lines 27-28 contain the usual appeal to future rulers to respect this donation as if it were one of their own. And the inscription ends with the verse³ (in Old-Kanarese):—

'The lord Jina, himself the abode of the sentiment of quietism, (is) his god; the austere Måghanandin, the saiddhântika, the yôgin, himself the abode of the virtue of unweariedness, (is or was) his preceptor; the lord Kâmadêva, the Sâmanta, (is) his ruler (or master);— this (is) the excellence,— this (is) the religious merit,— this (is) the advancement of Våsudêva!'

As regards the date of this grant, the year Dundubhi is Śaka-Samvat 1065 as a current (not, as stated erroneously in the text, as an expired) year; and for Śaka-Samvat 1065 current the given day corresponds to Monday, the 1st February, A.D. 1143, when there was a total lunar eclipse 17 h. 23 m. after mean sunrise, which of course was visible in India.

Of the localities mentioned, Valavâda, the place of residence of Vijayâdityadêva, had been suggested by Sir W. Elliot to be probably the modern Wâlwa, about sixteen miles to the south of Kôlhâpur; but Dr. Fleet now suggests that it may be in reality the village of Wâlwa (Vâlavêm) on the Krishnâ, about twenty-four miles north by east from Kôlhâpur, which gave the name to the Wâlwa tâlukâ of the Sâtârâ district. The village of Hâvina-Hêrilage and the place Âjirage, which gave the name to the district in which the village was situated, I am unable to identify. Lastly, Kshullakapura clearly is another name of the town of Kôlhâpur (or Kollâpura) itself, where, as we know from an inscription at Têrdâl and from another inscription at Śravaṇa-Belgola, there was a temple of the holy Rûpanârâyaṇa, the priest of which was the same Mâghanandisiddhântadêva who is mentioned in this inscription as well as in the next.

TEXT.5

- l ⁶ Śrîmat=parama-gambhîra-syâdvâd-âmôgha-lâmehhanam [|*] jîyâ[t=*] trailôkyanâthasya śâsanam Jina-śâsanam || @ || @
- 2 Svasti śrîr=jjayaś=ch=âbhyudayaś=cha || ⁶ Jayaty=amaļa-nânârttha-pratipattipradarśakam [|*] arhata-
- 3 h=Purudêvasya śâsanam môha-śâsanam || Svasti [|*] Śrî-Śiļāhāra-mahâkshatriy-ânvayê vitra-
- 4 st-âsêsha-ripu-pratatir=**Jjatigô** nâma narêmdrô=bhût | tasya sûnavô **G**omkalô **Gûvala**ḥ
- 6 Gamgadêvah Ballâladêvah Bhôjadêvah Gandarâdityadê[va]ś=ch=êti pamcha | têshu dhârmmika-Dharmmajasya vairi-kâ-

¹ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 24, note 27. ² I owe the translation of this verse to Dr. Fleet.

³ Major Graham has suggested that the village may probably be the 'Heirleh' of the maps, about eight miles north-east of the city of Kôlhâpur. I myself have felt inclined to identify Âjirage with Ajurikâ (the modern Ajare), where Sômadêva wrote his Śabdárnarachandriká; see Ind. Ant. Vol. X. pp. 75-76.

⁴ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 18, l. 48; and Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, pp. 9-10 (No. 40), where we find the Sámanta Kâmadêva of the present inscription mentioned as a lay-disciple of Mâghanandip.

From an impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet. Metre: Ślóka (Anushtubh).

⁷ Here and in other places below, the rules of samdhi have not been observed.

7	ntâ-vaidhavya-dîkshâ-gurôḥ sakala-darśana-chakshushaḥ śrîmad-Gaṇḍarâdityadêvasya
-	priva-tanavah 1
8	svasti samadhigatapamchamahâśabda-mahâmandalēśvarah lagara-puravar-
	âdhîśvarah śrî-Śilâ-
9	hara-narendran nija-vijasa-vijita-devendran vimutavanda datoja p
	vikhyâtaḥ vuyatîiana-Makaradhyajaḥ nirddalita-ripu-maṇḍalika-
10	Sit Astring-Sat direction of the same and said a
	darppaḥ maruvamka-sarppaḥ ayyana-simgaḥ sakala-guṇa-tumgaḥ ripu-maṇḍalî(li)ka-bhairavaḥ vidvishṭa-
11	
	gaja-kaṇṭhîravaḥ kaliyuga-Vikramâdityah rûpa-Nârâyaṇaḥ nîti-vijita-Châ-
12	iduvaracityan kanyuga-vikiamadibyan
13	râyaṇaḥ giri-durgga-lamghanaḥ vihita-virôdhi-vamghanaḥ samvara-siddhiḥ dharmm-aika-buddhiḥ Mahâ-
	sadnin dharmin-arka-buddanin mada- lakshmîdêvî-labdha-varaprasâdah sahaja-kastûrik-âmôdah êvamâdi-nâmâvaļî-
14	virâjamâna-śrîmad-Vijayâdityadêvah Vaļavâḍa-sthira-śibirê sukha-samkathâ-
15	vinôdêna râjyam ku-
16	rvvâṇaḥ Śaka-varshêshu paṁchashashṭy-uttara-sahasra-pramitêshv=atìtêshu
16	nevertismâns-Duń-
17	dubhi-samvatsara-Mâgha-mâsa-paurṇṇamâsyâm Sôma-vârê sômagrahaṇa-
11	narvva-nimi-
18	ttam=Âjiragekholl-ânugata-Hâvina-Hêrilage-grâmê sâmanta-Kâmadêvasya hadapa-
19	A MAN 1 December Destalage shahla dhinatah Kahullakanura-
	śrî-Rûpanârâyaṇa-ji-
20	nâlay-âchâryyasya śrîman-Mâghanandisiddhântadêvasya priya-chehhâ[t*]trêṇa sakaļa-
	gunaratna-pâtrêna
21	Jina-padapadma-bhrimgêna viprakula-samuttumga-ramgêna svîkrita-
	sadbhâvêna Vâsudêvêna
22	
	chaityâlaya-khaṇḍa-
23	• · · · · ·
	tatr=aiva grâmê
24	
	sammitam griha-nivêsanam cha tan=Mâghanandisiddhântadêva-sishyânâm Mânikyanandipanditadêvânâm
25	cha tan=Maghanandisiddhantadeva-sishiyanan mantkyanandipanditadevanam pâdau prakshâlya dhârâ-pû-
30	1
26	dattavân
27	and a second a second a second a second a second a second a
-1	santati-vriddhim=abhilipsubhih 3 sva-
28	datti-nirvvisêsham pratipâdanîyam=iti Śânta-rasakke tâne neley=âda
29	Jina-prabhu tanna ⁵ daiva- m=aśrânta-guṇakke tâne neley=âda tapônidhi
	Maghanandi-saiddhantika-

30 yôgi tanna guru |6 tann=adhipam vibhu Kâmadêva-sâmamtan=id=uttamatvam=idu

31 punyam=id=unnati Vâsudêvana ||

This sign of punctuation and all the others which occur in lines 8-25 are superfluous, because the words from teshu in l. 6 up to dattarán in l. 26 form a single sentence. The word srasti at the commencement of 1. 8 is put in parenthetically to mark, as it were, the proper beginning of the grant.

² Read -yattnam=abara.

³ All the signs of punctuation in this line are superfluous.

⁴ Metre: Utpaiamålika.

⁵ Read daicam=

⁶ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁶ This sign of punctuation is superfluous. Metre: Utpalamalika.

No. 28.— BAMANI INSCRIPTION OF THE SILAHARA VIJAYADITYA; SAKA SAMVAT 1073.

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This inscription is on a stone which stands by the door of a Jaina temple at the village of Bâmaṇî, five miles south-west of Kâgal, the chief town of the Kâgal State in the Kôlhâpur Territory. An account of its contents and a kind of transcript of the text are given in Major Graham's Statistical Report of the Principality of Kolhapoor, p. 381. I edit it now from a good impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

The inscription contains 44 lines of writing which covers a space of about 2' $10\frac{1}{3}''$ high by 1' 4" broad. At the end of each of the lines 1-3 and 13 one akshara, which in each case can be easily supplied, is effaced, and one or two aksharas, which cannot be restored, are broken away at the end of each of the lines 14 and 15; otherwise the writing is well preserved. At the top of the stone are some sculptures: immediately above the writing, in the centre, a seated Jaina figure, facing full front, cross-legged, with the hands joined in the lap, and surmounted by a serpent coiled up behind and displaying seven hoods; to the proper left of this figure, a crooked sword or dagger and a cow with a calf; and above these, again, on the right the sun, and on the left the moon.—The average size of the letters is about $\frac{2}{3}$ ".—The characters are Old-Kanarese.—The language is Sanskrit, excepting part of line 43 and line 44 which are in Old-Kanarese. The main part of the text is in prose, but nine verses occur in lines 1-2, 26-31, and 34-43. As regards orthography, the sign of the upadhmāniya (which is like the sign for r) has been employed before the word Purudēvasya in 1. 1, and before patyā in 1. 16 and pitrā in 1. 17; and instead of the conjunct ddh we find dhāh in the words sidhāhi in 1. 10 and udhāhāra in 1. 19.

This inscription records another grant of land by the Mahamandaléévara Vijayadityadeva of the Silahara family. Opening with a verse glorifying the Jaina faith, which is already known to us from lines 2-3 of the preceding inscription, it gives in lines 2-10 the genealogy and description of the donor as they are given by that other inscription, only omitting the names of six of his more distant relatives (Kîrtirâja, Chandrâditya, Gûvala II., Gangadêva, Ballâladêva and Bhôjadôva) and nine of his less important birudas. Lines 11-34 then record that Vijayadityadova, ruling at his residence of Valavada, at the request of his maternal uncle, the Samanta Lakshmana, and for the spiritual benefit of his family,2 — on the occasion of a lunar eclipse on Friday, the full-moon tithi of the month Bhadrapada of the Pramôda year, when 1073 Saka years had elapsed,—granted a field which by the measure of the Kûndi country measured one quarter of a nivartana, a flower-garden measuring 30 stambhas, and a dwellinghouse measuring 12 hastas, all belonging to the village of Mada[1] ura in the district of . . navn[ka]gegolla, for the eightfold worship of Pârsvanâthadêva at a shrine which had been established at the village by Chôdhore-Kàmagâvuṇḍa³ (the son of Saṇagamayya and Chamſdha]. . . vvå, husband of Punnakabbå, and father of Jentagåvunda and Hemmagåvunda), and for the purposes of keeping the shrine in proper repair and of providing food for the ascetics of the shrine,- having washed the feet of Arhanandisiddhantadeva (probably the superintendent of the shrine), a disciple of Måghanandisiddhåntadêva who, in addition to what is stated of him in the preceding inscription, is described here as a pupil of Kulachandramuni and as 'a sun of the

¹ The biruda which in the preceding inscription is spelt maruvamka-sarppah, is here in 1.7 spelt maruvakka-sarppah.

³ Literally (in l. 24) 'in order th. t it might be a gift of his family.'

^{*} The first part of this name is not clear to me. In 1.16 of a fragmentary inscription at Kölhåpur of Saka-Samvat 1161 I find the name Chaudhurt-Kâmagâumda. [Gâvunda is the same as the Kanarese gauda, 'the headman of a village.'— E. H.]

Kundakunda lineage';¹ and exempting the grant from all taxes and molestations. Lines 34-41 contain five imprecatory verses; these are followed in lines 42-43 by another well known verse in praise of the Jaina doctrine; and lines 43-44 add, in Old-Kanarese, that this inscription was engraved by Gôvyôja, the son of the goldsmith Bammyôja,² and lay-disciple³ of Abhinandadêva.

As regards the date of this grant, the year Pramôda is Śaka-Samvat 1073, here too as a current (not, as stated erroneously in the text, as an expired) year; and for Śaka-Samvat 1073 current the given day corresponds to Friday, the 8th September, A.D. 1150, when there was a total lunar eclipse 20 h. 6 m. after mean sunrise, which of course was visible in India.

Of the localities mentioned, in addition to those which have already been spoken of in the preceding inscription, I am unable to identify the village of Mada[l]ûra; and I can only hesitatingly suggest that the concluding part of the mutilated name of the district, . . navu[ka]gegolla, may perhaps survive in the name of the town of Kâgal, in the neighbourhood of which the inscription is still preserved.

TEXT.4

1	Svasti 5Jayaty=amaļa-nânârttha-pratīpatti-pradaršakam arhatah=Pur[u]dê[va]-6									
$\overline{2}$	sya śâsanam môha-śâsanam Śrî-Śiṭāhâra-vamśê Jatigô nâma [kshi]-									
3	tîśas=samjātas=tat-putrau Gomkala-Gûvalau tatra Gomkalasya sû[nu]-									
4	r=Mmarasimhadevas=tad-apatyam Gandaradityadevas=tasya nandanah 7									
	${f samadhiga}$ -									
5	tapamchamahâśabda-mahâmaṇḍa[lê]śvaraḥ l Tagara-pura-									
6	var-âdhîśvaraḥ śrî-Śiļâhâra-vaṁśa-sa(na)rêndraḥ Jîmûtavâhan-â-									
7	nvaya-prasûtah suvarnna-garuḍa-dhvajah maruvakka-sarppah ayyana-sim-									
8	gah ripu-mandalika-bhairavah vidvishta-[ga]ja-kanthîravah iduvarâdityah									
9	kaliyuga-Vikramâdityah rûpa-Nârâyanah giri-durgga-lamghanah śa-									
10) nivâra-sidhdhi(ddhi)ḥ śrî-Mahâlakshmî-labdha-varaprasâda ityâdi-nâmâvaļi-									
	virâjamânaḥ									
11	śrîmad-Vijayâdityadêvah Vaļavâda-sthira-śibirê sukha-samkathâ-vi-									
12	nôdêna vijaya-râjyam kurvvan Śaka-varshêshu trisaptaty-uttara-saha-									
13	sra-pramitêshv=atîtêshu ⁸ amkatô=pi 1073 pravarttamâna-Pramôda-samva[tsa]- ⁹									
14	ra-Bhâdrapada-paurṇṇamâsî-Śukravârê sômagrahaṇa-parvva-nimitta[m] 10									
15	navu[ka]gegoll-ânugata-Mada[l]ûra-grâmê Sanagamayya-Cham[dha] 11									
16	vvayôh putrêṇa i Punnakabbâyâh=patyâ Jentagâvuṇḍa-Hemma-									
17	gâvundayôh=pitrâ Chódhore-Kâmagâvundêna kâritâyâh I									
18	śrî-Pârśvanâtha-vasatêr=ddêvânâm=ashṭavi[dh]-ârchchana-nimittam vasatêh kha-									
19	nda-sphuṭita-jîrnn-ôdhdhâ(ddhâ)r-ârttham tatrasthita-yatînâm=âhâ-									
20	ra-dân-ârttham cha tasminn=êva grâmê K ûmdidêsa-dandêna niva-									
21	rttana-chaturttha-bhâga-pramita-kshêtram tên=aiva daṇdêna trim-									

¹ See Mr. Rice's Inscriptions at Śravana-Belgola, p. 9.

² [The second portion of these two names is the Kanarese όja, 'a stone-cutter' (Sanderson). The two first components appear to be Gόρι and Bráhmi.— Ε. Η.]

³ On gudda see Ind. Ant. Vol. XII. p. 99 ff. and page 207 above, note 6.

⁴ From an impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

⁵ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁶ The aksharas in brackets at the end of lines 1-3 are almost entirely effaced.

⁷ This sign of punctuation and all the others in lines 5-25 are superfluous.

³ Here and in other places which it is unnecessary to point out separately, the rules of samdhi have not been observed.

⁹ This akshara is effaced. 10 Here two aksharas are broken away.

¹¹ Here one or two aksharus are broken away. 12 Originally ochchana- was engraved.

22	sat-stambha-pramāṇa-pushpavāṭīm dvādasa-hasta-pramāṇa-
23	griha-nivêsanam cha sa râjâ nija-mâtula-Lakshmana-sâmanta-vijñâ-
24	panêna tasy=aiva gotra-dân-ârttham śrî-Mûlasamgha-Dêśîyaga-
25	na-Pustakagachchha-Kshullakapura-śrî-Rûpanârâyana-chaityâla-
26	yasy=âchâryyaḥ ¹Śrî-Mâghanandisiddhântadêvô viśva-mahî-
27	stutah Kulachamdramunêh sishyah Kundakund-ânvay-âm-
28	śumân Api cha ² Rôdô-maṇḍalam≈aṅga kim sva-vapushâ³
29	vyâpnôti Śakra-dvipah kim kshîr-âmbudhir-âvrinôti bhuvanam Gamg-âmbu
30	kim vêshtatê styânô=yam priya-susthirah samaruchat=kim sâmdra-chamdr-âta-
31	pô yat-kîrtty=êttham=abhûd=vitarkkanam=asau śrî-Mâghanandî jayêt Ta-
32	n-munîmdrasy=âmtêvâsinâm=Arhanandisiddhântadêvânâm pâdau
33	prakshâlya dhârâ-pûrvvakam sarvva-namasyam sarvva-bâdhâ-parihâram=â-cham-
34	dr-ârkka-târam sa-sâ[sa*]nam dattavân @ Sva-dattâm para-dattâm vâ yô
	harêta vasu-
35	ndharâm shashṭim varsha-sahasrâṇi vishṭhâyâm jâyatê krimih Na visham visham=i-
36	ty=âhur=ddêvasvam visham=uchyatê visham=êkâkinam hanti dêvasvam pu-
37	tra-pautrakam Api cha Sa-vatsâm kapilâm śastryâ hatv=âsyâ
38	mâmsa-sônitê Gamgâyâm sô=tti yô grihnâty=amûm dharmm-ôrvvarâm
39	naraḥ ⁵ Tat-pâtaka-phalên=âsau yâvach=chandra-divâkaraṁ tâvad=ghôrataraṁ duḥkha-
4 0	m=aśnutê narak-âvanau Anyach=cha 🕲 Mâtus=sârddra-kapâlêna sô=tti mâ-
41	tamga-vêśmasu [*] śva-mâmsam bhikshayâ labdham gayê(?)6 yô dharmmabhû-harah 🚳
42	⁷ Bhadram=astu Jina-śâsanâya ⁸ sampadyatâm pratividhâna-hêtavê anya-
43	vâdi-madahasti-mastaka-sphâțanâya ghațanê paţîyasê @ Akkasâle Bam-
44	mmyôjana putra 8 Abhinamdadêvara guḍḍa Gâvyôjana khaḍaraṇe 🕲 🕲

No. 29.— KOLHAPUR INSCRIPTION OF THE SILAHARA BHOJA II.; SAKA-SAMVAT 1112-1115.

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The stone which contains this inscription, was found built into the wall of the house of Annâchârya Pandit, in the enclosure of the temple of Ambâbâî, and is now deposited in the town-hall, of the city of Kôlhâpur. An account of the contents of the inscription and a kind of facsimile of the text are given in Major Graham's Statistical Report of the Principality of Kolhapoor, p. 398. I now edit it from a good impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

The inscription contains 23 lines of writing which covers a space of about $2' \, 3\frac{1}{2}''$ broad by $2' \, 2\frac{1}{2}''$ high. Down to line 14 the writing is on the whole well preserved, but the lower lines

^{1.} Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh). 2 Metre : Śârdûlavikrîdita.

Originally -vapnusha was engraved.

⁴ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the next four verses.

⁵ The akshara ta of pâtaka was originally omitted, and is engraved above the line.

The second akshara (yê) is slightly damaged, but I have no doubt that the actual reading of the original is gayê. I am unable to explain this word.

⁷ Metre : Rathôddhatâ. 6 These two signs of punctuation are superfluous.

have suffered considerably, from exposure to the weather or other causes, so that in several places it is impossible to make out the exact wording of the text.¹ At the top of the stone are some sculptures: immediately above the writing, on the proper right a cow with a calf, and on the left a crooked sword or dagger; and above these, again, on the right the moon, and on the left the sun.— The average size of the letters is about $\frac{7}{8}$.— The characters are Nâgarî.— The language is Sanskrit; and the whole inscription is in prose. Both the style and the language are very simple; but this record contains several words which apparently are not Sanskrit, and the exact meaning of which I do not understand. In respect of orthography, it need only be stated that the rules of samdhi are frequently disregarded.

The inscription divides itself into three parts. The first part, from line 1 to the beginning of line 13, records that the Mahamandaleśvara Vîra-Bhôjadêva, ruling at his residence of the fort of Pranâlaka,-- on the occasion of the sun's entrance upon his northern course, on Tuesday, the twelfth lunar day of the dark half of Pushya (or Pausha) of the Sâdhâraṇa year, when 1112 years had elapsed since the time of the Saka king,—granted a śālikhalla² field, which by the Edenâda measure measured 550 vapyakas,3 and in connection with it a dwelling-house measuring 12 hastas, and connected with this again a khadavalaka.4 all belonging to, and the field lying on the eastern side of, the village of Kopparavada in Edenâda, to the four Brâhmanas Âdityabhatta, Lakshmîdharabhatta, Prabhâkaraghaisâsa of Karahâta, and Vâsiyanaghaisâsa, who were settled at a matha (i.e. a temple or other religious establishment) founded by the Nayaka Lôkana,—for performing the fivefold worship of the god Umâmahêśvara, a form of Amritêśvara (Śiva), and for the purposes of feeding the Brâhmaṇas dwelling at the matha, of offering eatables three times a day to the goddess Mahâlakshmî, and of keeping the matha in proper repair. And the inscription adds that the land so granted lay to the east of a karada6 field which was to the east of the road from Tîravâdabîda to the fort of Pannâle, to the north of the edge of an empty tank marked by a field-deity, to the west of a karañja⁷ field (or wood), and to the south of two other fields belonging to Dêsilêya and Chendikêya (?).

On the Mahâmaṇḍaléśvara Vîra-Bhôjadêva, otherwise known to us as Bhôja II. of the Śilâhâra family, it will suffice to refer the reader to Dr. Fleet's Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts, p. 105, and Dr. Bhandarkar's Early History of the Dekkan, p. 95. The date of this grant of his corresponds, for Śaka-Samvat 1112 expired which was the Jovian year Sâdhâraṇa, to Tuesday, the 25th December, A.D. 1190, when the uttarâyaṇa-samkrânti took place 14 h. 2 m. after mean sunrise, during the 12th tithi of the dark half of Pausha which ended 19 h. 7 m. after mean sunrise of the same day.—Of the localities mentioned, Pranâlaka-durga or Pannâledurga, the residence of Vîra-Bhôjadêva, is the well-known fort of Pannâla (or Panhâla), about 11 miles north-west of Kölhâpur. The village of Kopparavâḍa I am unable to identify with confidence. The district of Edenâḍa, to which that village belonged, is mentioned also in a copper-plate grant of the Śilâhâra Gaṇḍarâdityadêva 8 of Śaka-Samvat 1032, and in an unpublished stone inscription of Śaka-Samvat 1161; and the former of these inscriptions states

¹ From the rough facsimils in Major Graham's Report it would appear that, when the inscription was first brought to public notice, it was in a letter state of preservation than it is now.

² Sali is 'rice,' and khalla lengter, in addition to other things, 'a canal, cut, trench, deep hole,' etc.; but the meaning of the whole term I do not know.

³ This measure I have not found elsewhere. [Perhaps the word is connected with vápa, on which see Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 161, note 19.—E. H.]

^{*} This word occurs several times (in the phrase griham=êkam khadavalakam cha) in an inscription of Saka-Samvat 1161.

⁶ Dr. Bhandarkar, Early History of the Dekkan, p. 95, joins the word Karahataka of the text with the two sames preceding it. On the cames event in ghaisaka see itid, and Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 74.

s The only meaning of the weak swn to me is 'tax-paying.'

⁷ This is the name of a plant or took. 8 See Jour. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XIII. p. 3.

that Tîravâḍa in Eḍenâḍa, which most probably is the Tîravâḍabîḍa of this inscription, was the residence of Gaṇḍarâdityadêva.

The second part of our inscription (lines 13-19) records that,—on Friday, the first of the bright half of Âśvija (or Âśvina) of the Paridhâvin year, when 1114 years had elapsed since the time of the Śaka king,—the Nâyaka Kâliyana, a sen of the above-mentioned Nâyaka Lôkana, gave to the same four Brâhmanas some land and other property at the agrahâra village of Pauva, situated in Tâluragekholla, for the purpose of feeding the Brâhmanas at a sattra or alms-house established by [his mother Pômâkauvâ?]. The property so granted is described as 'one largest (uttama) nivarttana (and) one smallest (kanishtha) nivarttana, making thus half a vritti (of land); connected with it, half of a first-rate (uttama) house and one middle-sized (madhyama) house, and a khadavalaka connected with them;' and, so far as I can make out from the text, this property had originally belonged to one Lakhumanaghaisâsa,² who had sold it to the traders of the village, of whom it was afterwards purchased by Kâliyana.

The date of this donation does not work out satisfactorily; for the first of the bright half of Âśvina of Śaka-Samvat 1114, which was the year Paridhâvin, corresponds to the 9th September, 3 A.D. 1192, which was a Wednesday, not a Friday. The localities I am unable to identify.

Finally, our inscription (in lines 19-23) records that, on Friday, the fifth lunar day of the bright half of Phâlguna of the Pramâdin year, the same $N\hat{a}yaka$ Kâliyana gave to the same four Brâhmanas some land, which he had purchased of Mâyimkauvâ, the daughter's daughter of Sômêśvarabhaṭṭa, a student of the Sâmavêda, for the purpose of feeding the pupils at a school established for the study of the Vêdas.

The year Pramadin of this date should be Saka-Samvat 1115 expired and for this year the given date corresponds to Friday, the 28th February, A.D. 1194, when the 5th tithi of the bright half ended 21 h. 44 m. after mean sunrise.

TEXT.5

- 1 Svasti [|*] Srîman-mahàmaṇḍalêśvarô Vìra-Bhôjadêvaḥ⁶ Pranâlaka-durgga-śibirè sukha-samkathâ-vinôdê-
- 2 na rájyam kurvánah **Šakanripa-kálád**-árabhya varshèshu dvádasóttara-*satádhika-sahasrèshu nivrittéshu varttamána-Sá-
- 3 dhâraṇa-samvatsar-ântarggata-Pushya-bahula-dvâdaśyâm Bhauma-varê bhânôr= uttarâyaṇa-samkramaṇa-parvvaṇi nija-râjy-â-
- 4 bhivriddhayê sahavâsi-Lôkaṇa-nâyakêna kâritasya maṭhasya? Amṇitêśvaramûrty-Umâmahêśvaradêvasya pamchôpachâ-
- 5 ra-pûj-ârtham sahavâsi-bráhmaṇa-bhôjan-ârtham śrî-Mahâlakshmi(kshmi)dêvyàs= trikâla-naivêdya-pari[ch]âl-ârtham⁸ tan-maṭha-khamda-sphuṭi-
- 6 ta-jîrnn-ôddhâr-ârtham ⁹Edenâd-âmntarggata-Kopparavâda-grâma-sîm-âbhyamntarê ¹⁰ pûrvva-digbhâgê Tîravâdabîdât Pannâle-durgga-gâmi-

¹ A place 'Bir' or 'Beed' lies 7½ miles south-west of Kôlhâpur; and, in case this were the Tiravâḍabîḍa of our inscription, I would identify Kopparavâḍa with the village 'Kopurda' of the maps, which is about 2 miles north by west of 'Bir.'

² The word khaddiya[m?], which in line 16 precedes this name, I do not understand.

³ The first tithi of the bright half ended about 11 h. 12 m. after mean sunrise of this day.

^{*} The original, in line 21, has the word [khô?]dakâ which I do not understand.

⁵ From an impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet. ⁶ Originally °dérô was engraved.

⁷ Here and in other places below, the rules of samdhi have not been observed.

⁸ It is difficult to say whether the last but one word of this compound should be read parichala or parichala. I take it to be parichala, employed in the sense of parichara, i.e. pújá; compare the use of the word púja in l. 5.

[!] Read -antarggat : 10 Read -abhyantaré.

7	nó mårggåt pûrvvatah karada-kshê[tram] tat-pûrvvatah kshêtrapåladêvên=										
	ôpalakshitâyâh rikta-tatâka-pâlyâh uttaratah										
8	³[karam]ja-målåt=paschimatah Dêsilêya-Chemdikêya-vritti-kshêtra-⁵[karam]ja-										
	kshetrayôr=ddakshinatah 6 êvam chatuh-sîm-âbhyantarê E-										
9	7[de]nâda-damda-mânêna vapyakânâm pamchâśad-adhikam pamcha-satam śâlikhalla-										
	kshêtram tat-pratibaddham tad-grâm-âbhyantarê dvâdaśa-										
10	[ha]sta-pramâṇam nivêśanam tat-pratibaddham khadavalakam cha]]8 êtat=										
	sarvvam tan-matha-nivishta-sahavâsy-Âdityabha-										
11	tta-Lakshmidharabhatta-Karahâtaka-Prabhâkaraghaisâsa-Vâsiyanaghaisâs-êty=êvam ni-										
	vishta-brâhmaṇa-chatushtaya-hastê śâ-										
12	sana-sahitam dhara-purvvakam sarvva-namasyam sarvva-badha-pariharam sarvv-aya-										
	viśuddham râjakîyânâm=anamguliprêkshanîya-9										
13	m=â-chamdr-ârkka-sthiram dattavân Anyach=cha Śakanripa-kâlâd-ârabhya										
	varshëshu chaturddasôttara-satadhika-sahasrëshu mivrittë-										
14											
	vârê tasy=aiva sahavâsi-Lôkaṇa-nâya-										
15	kasya putrah Kâliyana-nâyakah [sva?]10 [h] [kauvâ?] . h sa[trê11										
	brâhma]na-bhôjan-ârtham Tâluragekholl-âmntarggata-a-12										
16	grahâra-Pauvagrâma-sîm-âbhyamntarê ¹³ pûrva-digbhâgê tad-grâma-[ma]hâjanair=										
	ddâna-krayêna grihîta[m?] khaddiya[m?] Lakhumanaghai-										
17	sâsasya vritti-madhyê uttama-nivartta[nam=êkam kanishtha-ni]varttanam=êka[m										
	. êvam=a]rddhâ [vri]ttih tat-pratibaddham u[ttama]-grinasy=ârddham madhyama-										
	gri-										
18-	ham=êkam tat-pratibaddham khadavalakam êl4 jana .										
	stå . [dâ]na-krayêṇa grihîtvâ pû[rvvô]kta-nivishta-brâhmaṇa-chatu-										
19	ahtaya-hastê dhârâ-pûrvvakam sarvva-bâdhâ-pa[rihâram sarvv-âya-vi]śuddham [â-										
	cham]dr-ârkka-sthiram dattavân Anyach=cha Pramâdi-samvatsar-ânta-										
20	rggata-Phâlguna-suddha-pamchamyâm Śukra-vârê 16										
	[grå]ma-sîm-âbhyamntarê ¹⁶ pûrvva-digbhâgê chhamdôga-Sômêśvarabhattasya										
21	d[au]hitryâ Mâyimkauvâyâh vrittê ¹⁷										
	[sa ê]va Kâliyana-nâyakah vêdâdhyayana-[khô?]dakâ-										
22	chchhâ[t*]tra-bhôjan-ârtham tasyâs=sakâ[śâd=dâna-krayêṇa] gṛihîtvâ pû[rvvôkta-ni]-										
	vishta-brâhmaṇa-chatushtaya-hastê dhârâ-pûrvvakam sarvva-bâ-										
23	dhâ namhânam garret âve viênddham â sharid alle athir t										
	dia-parinaram sarvy-aya-visuddiam-a-chamdr-arkka-stniram dattavan chha										

¹ Here a sign of punctuation was originally engraved; but it appears to have been struck out again.

² This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

The first akshara in these brackets is almost entirely broken away, and of the second it is doubtful whether it should be read ram or rum or rê.

⁴ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁵ Of the aksharas in these brackets, again, only the two consonants k and r are certain. I believe that originally kamra was engraved, and that this has been altered to karam.

⁶ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁷ This akshara is quite broken away. 8 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁹ It is just possible that the two aksharas préksha may have been sitered to prakshé and that the akshara pa (giving prakshépa) may have been added between the lines, above the akshara nt. But anamguliprékshantua also occurs in other inscriptions.

¹⁶ The facsimile in Major Graham's Report has: sva-mâtuh Pômákôváyáh.

li Read sattré. Read -antargat-a. 18 Read -ábhyantaré.

¹⁴ The facsimile in Major Graham's Report has: état=sarvam tad-grâma-makájana-hasiát.

¹⁵ Here the facsimile has: tasminn=êva agrahara-Pova-. 16 Read -ábhuantaré.

¹⁷ Here the facsimile apparently has vritter-ultama-bhumeh nivarttanasy-attar-arddham.

No. 30.— GADAG INSCRIPTION OF THE YADAVA BHILLAMA; SAKA-SAMVAT 1113.

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This inscription is on a stone at the temple of Trikûtêsvara (Śiva) at Gadag, the chief town of the Gadag tâlukâ in the Dhârwâr district of the Bombay Presidency. Its existence was indicated, twenty years ago, by Dr. Fleet in the *Indian Antiquary*, Vol. II. p. 298, and I now edit it from an excellent impression, supplied to me by the same scholar.

The inscription contains 21 lines of writing which covers a space of about 1'7" broad by 1'11" high. Excepting that in line 12 three aksharas have been intentionally effaced, lines 1-19 are in a fair state of preservation and may be read with confidence throughout; but the greater part of lines 20 and 21 is broken away, and so is the end of the inscription,—probably one or two more lines, of no particular importance. At the top of the stone are, in the centre, a linga and a priest; to the right, a cow and calf with the sun or moon above them; and to the left, a bull with the moon or sun above it.— The size of the letters is between $\frac{5}{8}$ " and $\frac{3}{4}$ ".—The characters are Nâgarî.—The language is Sanskrit. Speaking generally, lines 1-9 are in verse, and lines 10-20 in prose; and the inscription apparently ended with other (benedictive and imprecatory) verses.—The orthography calls for no remarks.

The inscription records a grant of land by the Yâdava king Bhillamadêva (of Dêvagiri). Opening with a verse which invokes the protection of 'Kamsa's foe' (Vishnu), it gives in seven verses the following genealogy of the donor:—In Yadu's family there was a king named Sêvaṇadêva. His son was the prince Mallugidêva. His son, again, was the prince Amaraganga. After him his younger brother Karṇadêva became king. And his son was the king Bhillamadêva, an incarnation as it were of Kṛishṇa, who, conquering many countries and acquiring much wealth, rendered the rule of the family of king Sêvaṇa (or of the Sêvaṇa kings) highly prosperous.—After this, the inscription in another verse (in line 9) states that Bhillamadêva had a minister, named Jaitasimha, who was endowed with the three constituent elements of regal power, whose prowess was surpassing thought, and who was a very scorpion to rulers of districts.

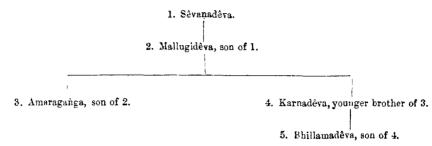
Lines 10-19 then record that, at the representation of this Jaitasimha, His Majesty Bhillamadêva, adorned with such titles as 'the refuge of the whole world, the illustrious favourite of the earth, Mahârâjâdhirâja, Paramêśvara, Paramabhatṭâraka, the ornament of Yadu's family, born in the holy Vishina's lineage,' while his camp of victory was located at Hêrûrâ,— at a solar eclipse on Sunday, the new-moon tithi of Jyaishtha of the Virôdhakrit year, when 1113 years had elapsed of the era of the Śaka king,— after having washed the feet of the holy chief of ascetics Siddhântichandrabhûshanapanditadêva, also called Satyavâkya, the disciple of Vidyâbharanadêva who in turn was a disciple of Sômêśvaradêva, and superintendent (or chief priest) of the shrine of the god Svayambhû-Trikûtêśvara at Kratuka, granted the village of Hiriya-Handigôla in the Beluvola Three-hundred, free from tolls, taxes and molestation, with every kind of income, with its boundaries as they were known before, not to be pointed at with the finger by the king's officials, and together with the tribhôga, making it a sarva-namasya grant and dividing it into two parts, one of which, according to line 19, was destined for the god Trikûtêśvara.— From here the text becomes mutilated or is entirely broken away; and what remains of lines 20 and 21, only shows that the

¹ viz. prabhutva, mantra, and utsaha.

² See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 271; I do not feel sure that the explanation, there given of tribh6ga, is correct, but am unable to explain the term myself.

inscription ended with an appeal to future rulers to respect this grant, and with one or more of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses.

According to the above, the genealogy, furnished by this record of Bhillama, is this:-



Of these princes or kings, Sêvaṇadêva clearly is the Sêuṇa or Sêuṇachandra of whom we possess two inscriptions of Śaka-Samvat 991; and Amaraganga is the Amaragangêva who in Hêmâdri's Vratakhanda³ also is stated to have been born from Mallugi, while in the Haralahalli copper-plates of Singhaṇa II. of Śaka-Samvat 1160 his name is given before that of Mallugi, his exact relationship to this prince being left undefined. Quite new to us are the name of Karṇadêva and the statement that he was Bhillama's father. The Paithan copper-plates of Ramachandra of Śaka-Samvat 1193 only record in a general way that Bhillama came after Mallugi; but the Haralahalli plates distinctly assert that Bhillama was born from Mallugi, and this, too, is the conclusion which Professor Bhandarkar has drawn from the account of the Yâdava family given by Hêmâdri.— To reconcile these different statements is impossible, and, obliged to choose between them, I would unhesitatingly adopt the account given by the present inscription, because I do not believe that its author could have made a mistake about the name of the father of the sovereign whose grant he was recording.

The name of the minister at whose representation this grant was made, according to our text, was Jaitasimha. He of course is the Jaitasimha who, in line 30 of the Gadag inscription of the Hoysala Vîra-Ballâla of Śaka-Samvat 1114, is described as the right arm of Bhillama, and whose defeat by Vîra-Ballâla is spoken of in that inscription. With great probability it has been suggested that this Jaitasimha or Jaitrasimha must be identical with Bhillama's son and successor, Jaitagi or Jaitrapâla; but it is somewhat strange that our inscription should be silent about the close relationship of both.

The prose part of this inscription has much in common with the corresponding portion of the inscription of Vîra-Ballâla which has just been mentioned. It records a grant made in favour of the same temple, and mentions the same ascetic as the personage whose feet are supposed to have been washed by the donor. The date of our inscription corresponds, for Saka-Samvat 1113 expired which was the Virôdhakrit year, to Sunday, the 23rd June, A. D. 1181, when there was a sclar eclipse which was visible in India, 10 h. 29 m. after mean sunrise; and the date of Vîra-Ballâla's inscription is Saturday, the 21st November, A.D. 1192. Between these two dates, therefore, Jaitasimha must have been defeated by Vîra-Ballâla, and must the country about Gadag have passed from the possession of Bhillama into that of the Hoysala prince, a circumstance which undoubtedly caused somebody to efface Bhillama's name in line 12 of this record.

¹ Compare Dr. Fleet's Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts, p. 72, and Dr. Bhandarkar's Early History of the Dekkun, p. 81.

² See Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 224. See Dr. Bhandarkar, I.c. p. 112, v. 35.

⁴ See Jour. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XV. p. 386.
5 See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 315.

⁶ See ib. Vel. II. p. 300.

Of the localities mentioned in this inscription, Kratuka is Gadag itself, and Hiriya-Handigôla probably is the village of 'Hundeegol,' about six miles west by north of Gadag; the place Hêrûrâ mentioned in line 12 I am unable to identify.

$TEXT^1$

- I [Om] | Ôm svasti || Avatu² sa vaḥ Kamsâriḥ kumuda-ruchir=bhàti yat-karê śamkhaḥ | kshîrâbdhi-mathana-sambhrama-samkrântaḥ
- 2 ph ma-pamja iva || [1 ||*] Asti³ kshattriya-simhasya Yadu-nâmnah kulam bhuvi | lîlâ-kṛit-âvatârêṇa Hariṇâ
- 3 yad=alamsritam || [2 ||*] Tatra Sêvaṇadêv-âkhyaḥ prathitaḥ prithivîpatih | âsîd=aśêsha-bhûpâla-mauli-lâlita-śâ-
- 4 sanaḥ || [3 ||*] Tasya **Mallugidêv-**âkhyô babhûva nṛipatiḥ sutaḥ | yasya na pratimallô sbhûn=nṛipêshu kshiti-mamḍalê || [4 ||*] Tasy=â-
- 5 py=**Amaragamg-**âkhyas=tanayô 5bhûn=mahîpatiḥ | pratàpa-pâvaka-plushṭapratyarthi-nṛipa-kânanaḥ || [5 ||*] Tatas=tad-anujaḥ
- 6 śrîmân=**Karṇṇadêvô** nṛipô sbhavat | śaradimdu-prabhâ-śubhra-yaśò-dhavalit-âkhilah || [6 ||*] Tasya cha ||
- 7 Jâtô Vṛimdâvana-krîḍâ-kautukî śamkha-lâmchchha(chha)naḥ | râjâ Bhillamadêv-âkhyaḥ sutaḥ Kṛi-
- 8 shṇa iv=âparaḥ || [7 ||*] Âkramya vividhân=dêśân=arjayitvâ dhanam bahu | yêna Sêvaṇa-bhûpâla-
- 9 kula-râjyam vivarddhitam || [8 ||*] Tasy=âsti **J**aitasimh-âkhyaḥ śaktitraya-samanvitaḥ | atarkya-vikramô mam-
- 10 trî mamdalêsvara-vrischikah || [9 ||*] Tasya vijînapanêna ||4 têna cha samastabhuvanasraya-srîprithvîvallabha-maharâ-
- 11 jâdhirâja-paramêśvara-paramabhaṭṭâraka-Yadukulatilaka-śrîVishnuvamśódbh a v ê t y â d i samasta-nâmâ-
- 12 valî-virâjamânêna śrîmat-pratâpachakravarttin[â] dêvêna Hêrûrâ-samâvâsîta-vijayaskamdhâ-
- 13 vârêṇa **Śakanṛipakâl-âtîta-sa**mvatsara-śatêshu trayôdaś-âdhikêshv=êkâdaśasu varttamána-Virôdhakṛit-samvatsa-
- 14 **r-**âmtargata-**Jy**êshṭh-âmâvâsyâyâm=Âditya-vârê sûrya-grahaṇê śrîmat-**Kratuka-**Svayambhû-Trikûṭêśvaradêva-sthânâchâ-
- 15 ryasya Sómêśyaradêva-śishya-Vidyâbharaṇadêva-śishyasya Satyavâky-âparanâmadhêyasya śrîmat-parama-
- 16 tâpasâchârya-Siddhâmtichamdrabhûshaṇapamditadêvasya pâda-prakshâlanam kritvâ **Beluvolatriśat-**âmtargata-
- 17 **Hiriya-Hamdigôla-**nâma-grâmaḥ sa-śulka-kara-bâdhâ-parihâraḥ samast-âdêya-sahitah pûrva-prasiddha-
- 18 sîmâ-samanvitô râjakîyânâm=anamguliprêkshaṇîyas=tribhôg a-yuktuḥ sarvanamasyîkritya dvêdhâ
- 19 vibhajya dhârâ-pûrvakam sa-śâsanò dattaḥ || Tatr=aikò bhâgas=tasy=aiva bhagavatas=Trikûtêśvaradêvasy=â-

¹ From an impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

² Metre: Âryâ. ³ Metre of verses 2-9: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁴ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁵ Here about three aksharas are intentionally effaced; but these aksharas must have been Bhillama, and I believe that the traces which remain of them, fully justify this reading.

20							ktam cha				dharmas=tad-vaṁśyair=anyaiś=cha							
21	.2 .	•	•	• •	,				٠.		•	٠	•	•	•	•	[râ*	*]ja-
	•		•	•	٠	•	•	•		•		•	٠	•		•	•	

No. 31.—PARLA-KIMEDI PLATES OF THE TIME OF VAJRAHASTA.

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These plates were first brought to Dr. Hultzsch's notice by Mr. G. V. Ramamurti of Parlâ-Kimeḍi, the chief town of the Parlâ-Kimeḍi Zamîndârî in the Gañjâm district of the Madras Presidency, and were afterwards sent to him for examination by the Collector of Gañjâm. They have now been presented to the Madras Museum by Sri Padmanabha Deo, brother of the Zamîndâr of Parlâ-Kimeḍi. I edit the inscription which they contain from excellent impressions, supplied to me by Dr. Hultzsch.

These are three well preserved copper-plates, each of which measures 9" long by from $2\frac{3}{4}$ to $2\frac{7}{8}$ broad. About $1\frac{5}{16}$ from the proper right margin, each plate has a round hole, about $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{6}$ in diameter. The ring which passes through these holes had not been cut when the plates were received by Dr. Hultzsch. It is $3\frac{1}{2}$ in diameter and $\frac{3}{3}$ thick, and has its ends secured in a slightly eval seal which measures about $1\frac{1}{4}$ by $1\frac{3}{8}$ in diameter. This seal bears in relief a bull conchant, facing the proper left, with the moon's crescent above it, and placed on a plain pedestal which is supported by a lotus flower. Between this flower and the pedestal is the Någarî legend śrî-D[á*]raparanô.— Each of the three plates is inscribed on both sides, but the writing which we now find on the first side of the first plate, and, with the exception of four aksharas, all the writing on the second side of the third plate, are apparently later additions, and the inscription proper which these plates contain begins therefore on the second side of the first plate and ends at the top of the second side of the third plate. Of the writing within these limits the average size of the letters is about \(\frac{1}{4}'' \). The characters, perhaps the most interesting feature of this inscription, present a curious mixture3 of the Nâgarî alphabet, as written in Southern India, and of several southern alphabets, properly so called. Speaking generally, of about 730 aksharas which the inscription contains, 320 are written in Nagari and 410 in southern characters; and the writer has not merely shown his familiarity with several kinds of writing, but has also displayed some skill in the arrangement of the different characters. To show this, it will suffice to draw attention to the manner in which he has written. e.g., the word paramamûhêsvarê in l. 7, and the same word in l. 9; Gangâmalakulatilakê in l. 8, and Gangâmalakulatilakah in 1.9; sútradhára in 1.3, and the same word in 1.28; guna and gana in lines 10 and 11; vahubhir in 1.25, and bahubhis in lines 25-26; yasya yasya and tasya tasya in 1.26, etc. As regards the southern alphabets put under contribution by him, the majority of the characters used is found in the Chêra copper-plates of which a photo-lithograph is published in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. V. p. 135; but some of the characters employed also are peculiar to what Dr. Burnell has called the Western Châlukya alphabet of A.D. 608, the Eastern (Kalinga) Châlukya alphabets, and even the Chôla-Grantha alphabet. It thus happens that, excepting the letters r (in Erayamarāja in l. 13), l (in Chôla in l. 10), l (in Sélusélágaddí in l. 18, and lomka in 1.20), and a few others which would not be expected to occur frequently, every letter

¹ At the commencement of this line, about twelve aksharas are almost entirely broken away.

² More than half of this line is broken away.

² A similar mixture of different alphabets we find in the Chicacole plates of the Ganga Maharaja Satyavarman; Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 10.

appears in at least two forms, and that for some we have no less than four (or even more) different forms. To give a few examples, we have two forms for the initial a, e.g. in an [e*]ka, 1. 13, and asya, l. 16; for k, in Kalinga, l. 2, and tilako, l. 8; for kh, in sukha, l. 1, and likhitam, 1. 28; for g, in grâmô, l. 15, and grâmasya, l. 16; for ch, in achala, l. 2, and âchâryya, l. 28; for d, in chadamaner, l. 3, and chadamani, l. 6;— three forms for dh, in dharmasya, l. 27, sútradhârasya, 1. 3, and adhirâja, 1. 8; for m, in amara, 1. 1, mahârâja, 1. 8, and parama, 1. 9; for v, in dévah, l. 9, bhuvana, l. 3, and vara, l. 6; for s, in svasty, l. 1, sarva, l. 1, and sakala, 1. 10;— four or even more forms for j, in $r\hat{a}ja$, l. 13, janita, l. 5, $r\hat{a}ja$, l. 8, $r\hat{a}j\hat{o}$, l. 11, and mañjari, l. 6; for n, in anukârinah, l. 1, ramanîya, l. 1, guna, l. 10, dakshinatah, l. 17, and gana, l. 11; for t, in vijayavatah, l. 1, pratishthitasya, l. 2, tasya, l. 9, adhipatih, l. 10, and ittham, l. 12; for h, in Mahéndra, l. 2, âhava, l. 5, mahârâja, l. 8, and parihâram, l. 15. And equally great is the variety of the signs for the medial vowels, especially in the case of u, û, ê, and \hat{o} , which are written in four, five, or even six different ways.— The language of the inscription is Sanskrit, and, excepting two benedictive and imprecatory verses in lines 24-26, and another verse giving the name of the dûtaka (here called djaapti) in lines 27-28, the whole is in prose. - In respect of orthography I have only to state that the consonant b is four times denoted by the sign for v (by the Nagari sign for this letter in lavdha, l. 13, Kadamva, l. 22, and rahubhir, 1. 25, and by a southern sign in śardah, 1. 5), and twice by its own proper sign (in kutumbinah, l. 11, and bahubhis. ll. 25-26, where both times the same southern sign has been employed).

The inscription is of the reign of a Ganga king Vajrahasta, and it begins, similarly to the grants of the Ganga Mahārājas Indravarman, Dêvêndravarman, and Satyavarman, just as if it were meant to record a grant by that king himself, thus:—

"Om! Hail! From his victorious residence of Kalinganagara which, charming with the delights of all seasons, resembles the town of the immortals,- the devout worshipper of Mahêsvara (Siva), who meditates on the feet of his parents, the ornament of the spotless family of the Gangas, the Mahârâjâdhirâja Paraméśvara, the illustrious Vajrahastadêva, who is freed from the stains of the Kali age by his obeisance to the two lotus-feet of the holy Gôkarnasvâmin, the parent of the movable and immovable, the unique architect who has constructed the whole world, (the god) with the moon for his crest-jewel who is installed on the spotless summit of mount Mahêndra; who by his onslaught in many battles has roused the shouts of victory; whose blessed feet are tinged with thick clusters of the lustre of the crest-jewels of the circle of all chieftains, bowed down by his prowess; and whose fame is pure like the white water-lily, the jasmine, and the moon, and diffused in all quarters" Then, instead of recording some command of the king so described, the inscription in lines 9-15 tells us that "in the reign of this (Vajrahastadèva), the devout worshipper of Mahêsvara, the ornament of the spotless family of the Gangas, the regent of five districts (pañcha-vishaya), the illustrions Dâraparâja, a dear son of the illustrious Chôla-Kâmadirâja and a home of all excellent qualities, issued the following command to all cultivators or householders (kutumbin) inhabiting Lankâkôna: Be it known to you that, on the occasion of giving (our?) daughter (to him) in marriage, we have given the village named Hossandi, exempting it from all taxes, to the ornament of the Naggari-Saluki2 family, the son of the illustrious Erayamaraja, the Rajaputra marked with the name of (i.e., probably, named after) the illustrious Kamadi, who has illumined the quarters of the compass with the banner of the renown which he has gained by his victories in many battles."

Lines 16-21 then give an account of the boundaries of the village of Hossandi, which clearly contains the names of a fairly large number of other villages, but which,— owing partly to

See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. pp. 120, 123, 275; Vol. XIV. p. 11; Vol. XVI. p. 134; and Vol. XVIII. p. 144.
 [This appears to be a corruption of the word Chalukya.— E. H.]

my inability of identifying any of the localities mentioned,— I do not fully understand. To the east of Hossandi was Gûladda, and to the south-east Kuravâgadda, apparently two villages. To the south and south-west were a water-pond and the triangular (?) boundary-line of (the villages?) Vapavâṭa, Chitragummî, and Hommandî. To the west lay (the village?) Sêlusêlâgaddi, the Paluṅga hill, and two boulders described as araṅŋaṅn-patthara and bhaduvalâ-patthara.¹ On the north-western corner was the Kaurâ river and a suliyâ (?) rock as far as (the village?) Asuravâli. To the north lay the village of Nanûṇichaddâ, and a rock in the middle of a valley;² and to the north-east (the village?) Khandaddâ as far as Guladdâ, which must be the Gûladda previously mentioned.— This account of the boundaries is followed, in lines 21-22, by the statement that the official in charge or headman (? pâlaka) of the village, so granted, (at the time) was the illustrious Ugrakhêdirâja,³ born in the Nidusanti clan, and called 'the ornament of the spotless family of the Kadambas.'

Lines 23-26 contain the usual admonition not to interfere with this donation, and cite two of the ordinary imprecatory verses, here ascribed to Vyâsa. Line 27 records, in another verse, that the $Aj\bar{n}apti^4$ (or $d\hat{u}taka$) of this grant (dharma) was Vachchhapayya of the Kâyastha family, a minister of Dâraparâja. And the inscription ends with the statement that it was written by the Mahâsamdhivigrahin Drônâchârya, and engraved by the artizan Namkanchyêmâchari.

The inscription contains no date, but it would in my opinion, on mere palæographical grounds, have to be assigned to about the 11th century A.D. Now the Vizagapatam copper-plate grants of Anantavarma-Chôḍagaṅgadêva⁵ mention five Ganga kings named Vajrahasta; and since the latest of them, Vajrahastadêva V., the graudfather of Anantavarma-Chôḍagaṅga who was anointed king on the 17th February, A.D. 107S, must have ruled about A.D. 1035-1070, it does not seem to me at all improbable that he may be the Vajrahastadêva in whose reign was made the donation which is recorded in our inscription.

Of the localities mentioned in this inscription, the town Kalinganagara (or Kalinganagara)⁶ and the mountain Mahendra are often spoken of in other inscriptions of the same family, and well known to us. The other localities referred to I have not been able to identify.

I have already stated that these copper-plates contain some additional writing, apparently of a later date, on the first side of the first plate and on the second side of the third plate. On the proper left half of the second side of the third plate there are four lines of incorrect Sanskrit, in southern Någarî characters, which evidently have not been written by the writer of the inscription described above. The exact meaning of these lines I cannot make out, but it would seem to me that they record a donation, by means of a copper-plate grant, of the village Homandi (called Hommandi in l. 17 of the preceding inscription) by a Rånaka Udayakhêdin. A transcript of the four lines would be as follows:—

Râṇaka-śrî-Udaya(?)khêḍi kêm[â ?]k[ô ?]-maṇḍi yâ(?)vad(?)vaḍá grâma Homaṇḍi pravêsa tâmvra-sâsana(?) dataḥ chatur-â-ghaṭâ-simâsandhi-prayântaḥ.

Regarding the endorsement of four lines on the first side of the first plate, nothing can be said but that it is not in Sanskrit and that, in line 3, it refers to Homandi.

¹ Putthara would of course be the Sanskrit prastara, 'a stone, rock.'

² [According to Brown's Telugu Dictionary, lonka means 'a dell.'— E. H.]

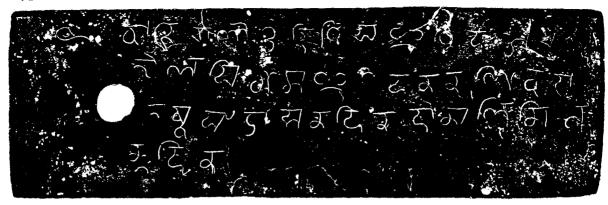
⁵ Compare the name Dharmakhêdin in Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 145, l. 12.

^{*} For the employment of this term compare Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 17, l. 63; XII. p. 93, l. 60; XIII. p. 56, l. 25; p. 138, l. 28; p. 250, l. 35; XIV. p. 55, l. 113; XIX. p. 433, l. 114; XX. p. 17, l. 20; p. 106, l. 28; p. 471, l. 51.

⁵ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. pp. 164, 170-171, and 175.

⁶ See page 131 above, note 1.

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कार्यात कार्य

TEXT.1

First Plate; Second Side.

- 1 Ôm² svasty=Amarapur-ânukâriṇaḥ³ sarvartu-sukha-ramaṇîyâd=vijayavataḥ
 2 **Kaliṅgânagara-**vâsakân=**Ma**hêndrâchal-âmala-śikhara-pratishṭhitasya sacharâchara3 gurós=sakala-bhuvana-nirmâṇ-aika-sûtradhârasya śaśâṅka-chûḍâmaṇêr=bhagava4 tô Gôkarṇasvâminakha(ś=cha)raṇakamala-yugala-praṇâmâd=vigata-kalikalaṁ-
- 5 kô=nêk-âhava-samkshôbha-janita-jayaśavda(bda)ḥ pratâp-avanata-samasta-sâma-
- 6 nta-chakra-chûdâmaṇi-prabhâ-mañjari-puñja-rañj[i]ta-vara-charaṇaḥ * sita-kumuda-kund-ê[ṁ*]-
- 7 dv-â(a) vadâta-digdêśa-vinirgata-yaśâḥ

paramamàhêśvarô

mâtâpitri-pâdâ-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 8 nudhyâtô Gaṅg-âmala-kula-tilakô mahârâj[â]dhirâja-paramêśvara-śrî-Va-9 jrahastadêvaḥ⁵ tasya râjyê paramamâhêśvarô Gaṁg-âmala-kula-tilakah pañchavisha-
- 10 y-âdhipatiḥ śrî-Chôļa-Kâmadirājasya priya-tanayaḥ sakala-guṇa-
- 11 gaṇ-âg[â*]raḥ śrîmad-Dâraparâjô Lamkâkôṇa-nivâsinaḥ kuṭumbinaḥ
- 12 sarvvân=ittham=âjñâpayati [1*] Viditam=astu vô Naggari-Saluki-kula-tila-
- 13 kâya ⁶ śrî-**Erayamar**âja-sûnavê ⁷ an[ê*]ka-saṃgrâma-vija-, s 17d ha(bdha)-kîrtti-patâ-
- 14 k-âvabhâsita-digantarâlâya śrî-Kâmadi-nâm-âmkita-râjaputrâya kanyâ-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 15 dâna-nimittê Hossandi-nâmâ grâmô-smâbhir-ddatta iti 8 sarvva-kara-pama(ri)hâram kri-
- 16 tvâ [i*] Asya grâmasya sîmâ-sandhayaḥ⁹ pûrvvataḥ¹⁰ Gûleḍḍaḥ¹¹ âgnêyataḥ Kuravâgaḍḍaḥ
- 17 dakshinatah sôdakas=taṭâkah Vapavâṭa-Chitragummî-Hommandî-trikôla(na?)-
- 18 sandhih nairriti(tî)m yâvata(t) paśchimatah Śeluśelagaddi Palumga-pa-
- 19 rvvatah aramgam-pattharah bhaduvalâ-pattharaś=cha vâyavya-kônê **Kaurâ-v**ênî
- 20 suliyâ-silâ Asuravâlim yâvata(t) uttaratah Nanûnichaddê-grâmah lomka-
- 21 madhyê patthara-silâ îsânateh Khaṇḍaddâ Gulaḍḍâm yâvata(t) [|*] Asya grâmasya pa-

Third Plate; First Side.

22 lâkaḥ¹² Kadamv(mb)-âmala-kula-tilakaḥ ¹² śrî-Ugrakhê[d]irâjṣḥ¹⁴ Nidusamti-vamśa-samudbhava-¹⁶

- 1 From impressions, supplied to me by Dr. Hultzsch.
- ² Expressed by a symbol.
- 3 Read scasti | Amarao. Originally charagah was engraved.
- 4 The sign of the vowel i of ranjita is extremely faint in the impression.
- ⁵ I would not join this word with the following by the rules of samdhi.
- 6 Read éry-Era°. 7 Read -sûnavê=nêka-.
- 8 This iti, if used at all, should have been placed after the following kritva.
- 9 Originally sandhiyah was engraved, but the sign for i has been struck out.
- 10 In the original this word looks rather like purgranah. Here and below, the rules of samdhi have not been observed.
 - 11 Here and in the following, the consonants which I have transcribed by dd, may possibly be dd.
 - 12 Read pálakah. 18 Read śry-Ugra. 14 Read ordjó.
 - 15 This last akshara originally was either vd or vo, but it appears to have been altered to va.

- 23 ś=cha [||*] Asy=ôpama(ri) na kênachid=vâdhâ karaṇîyâ [|*] yaḥ karâ(rô)ti sa pañcha-mahâpâtaka-saṁyu-
- 24 ktổ bhavati [||*] Vy[å*]sên=âpy=uktam || Sva-dattâm | para-dattâm vâ yô harêta vasundharâ[m |*]
- 25 ² shashtir=vvarsha-sahasrâni vishthâyâm jâyatê kṛimiḥ [||*] Va(ba)hubhir=vvasudhâ dattâ ba-
- 26 hubhiś=ch=ânupâlitâ [|*] yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis=tasya tasya tadâ phalam [||*]
- 27 Âjñaptir=asya dharmasya Kâyastha-kula-bhûshanah [i*] mantra 3 Dâraparâjasya Vachchhapayyô ma-
- 28 hâmatih [||*] Likhitam mahâsandhivigrahi-Drônâchâryy[ê]na [|*] utkîrnnam sûtradhâra-Namkañchyê-4

Third Plate; Second Side.

29 måcharinå [||*]

No. 32.— ALAMPUNDI PLATE OF VIRUPAKSHA;

SAKA-SAMVAT 1305.

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A tentative English translation of the subjoined inscription was published in 1878 in the Minual of the South Arcot District (page 2, note *), and Mr. Sewell has drawn attention to this translation in his Lists of Antiquities, Volume I. page 207. The original consists of a single plate which is now in the possession of Nârâyana Sâstrî of Âlampûndi, 5 a village in the Señji (Gingee) division of the Tindivanam tâlukâ of the South Arcot district, and was obtained by Dr. Hultzsch on loan through the kind offices of the Collector of the district. The plate measures about $11\frac{1}{4}$ in height and $6\frac{7}{8}$ in breadth, and is rounded at the top. Both sides of the plate have raised rims to protect the writing, which is in fairly good preservation. There is a hole at the top of the plate; but the ring for which the hole was made, and the seal which that ring may have carried, are not forthcoming.

With the exception of the colophon $\hat{Sri-Harihara}$, which is in Kanarese characters, the alphabet employed in the inscription is Grantha, which differs very little from its modern form. As in other Grantha and Tamil inscriptions,—if a group consisting of a consonant and of the secondary form of a vowel stands at the end of a line, the second element of the group is occasionally placed at the beginning of the next following line if no room is left for it at the end of the preceding line. Thus, of $d\ell$ of $d\ell vydm$ (1. 9 f.), the ℓ is at the end of line 9 and the d at the beginning of line 10. Similar instances occur in sau (1. 12 f.) and $bhy\delta$ (1. 20 f.). Again, of mayd (1. 21 f.) the y is found in line 21 and the d in the following line. Another instance of the same peculiarity occurs in $kk\delta$ (1. 15 f.). Such a separation is impossible in the Telugu or Kanarese alphabets, because the secondary form of a vowel is there attached to the consonant itself and constitutes along with it a single complex symbol. In the Grantha, Tamil, and Malayâlam alphabets, the secondary vowel forms are distinct symbols which are written either before or after the consonant. Irregularities similar to those pointed out above are thus

¹ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the following verses.

² Read shashtim varsha. ² Read mantri.

⁴ Originally sutradhari- was engraved, but the sign for i has been struck out.

No. 85 on the Tindivanam Taluk Map.

rendered possible in these alphabets, and are of frequent occurrence in Grantha and Tamil inscriptions. Another graphical peculiarity of the Âlampûndi plate deserves to be noted. The consonant group nr of the Tamil names Palakunra (l. 15) and tanri (l. 23) is, in the absence of Grantha letters to represent it, denoted by the group nr, as it would be vulgarly pronounced even now. The language of the subjoined inscription is incorrect Sanskrit, verse (ll. 1 to 22, and 26 to 33) and prose (ll. 1, 22 to 26, and 34).

The first and second verses of the inscription contain invocations addressed to the Boarincarnation of Vishnu and to the goddess of the Earth, respectively. The third verse refers to Bukkaraja (I.), who belonged to the race of the Moon, and who was the son of Samgama (I.) by Kâmâkshi. Bukka's son was king Harihara (II.) who, as in other inscriptions,2 is said to have performed "the sixteen great gifts" (verse 4). Harihara (II.) married Malladevi, who belonged to the family of Râmadêva; and their son was Virûpâksha (v. 5), who conquered the kings of Tundîra,3 Chôla and Pândya, and the Simhalas, and presented the booty of his wars to his father (v. 6). On the day of the Pushya-samkranti of the year Raktakshin (v. 8), which corresponded to the Saka year 1305,4 king Virûpaksha (v. 7) granted to certain unnamed Brâhmanas of various gôtras the village of Âlampûndi (v. 9). This village had been the object of a previous grant by Harihara (II.) (v. 9) and had then received the surname Jannambikâbdhi (v. 10). The pronouns mama and mayâ in lines 17 and 21 show that both Harihara's previous grant and the present donation of Virûpâksha were made at the instance of a princess who was the sister of Harihara (II.) (v. 9) and, consequently, the paternal aunt of Virûpâksha, and whose name must have been Jannambika, because the village of Alampundi received the surname Jannâmbikâbdhi (i.e. Jannâmbikâ-samudram)5 after her own name. The description of the boundaries of the granted village is contained in lines 22 to 26. Then follow three of the customary imprecatory verses. The inscription ends with the name $\bar{S}ri$ -Harihara.

The Alampundi plate would add considerably to our knowledge of the history of the first Vijayanagara dynasty, if we could be quite sure of the genuineness of the plate. As in other inscriptions of this dynasty, the first historical person is said to have been Samgama (I.). The Âlampûndi plate is the only inscription which informs us of the name of Samgama's queen, viz. Kâmâkshî. According to the same plate the queen of Harihara II. was Mallâdêvî. The Satyamangalam plates of Dêvarâya II. give the name of Harihara's queen as Malâmbikâ.6 As the two names Mallâdêvî and Malâmbikâ are very similar, we may, for the present, consider them as identical. The Alampundi plate adds that Malladevi belonged to the family of Râmadêva. It is not impossible that Mallâdêvî was related to the Yâdava king Râmachandra, who was also called Râmadêva, and who reigned from Saka-Samvat 1193 to 1230.7 It is from the present inscription that we first learn that Harihara II. had a sister called Jannambika and a son called Virûpâksha, who is reported to have made extensive conquests in the south, and whom his father appears to have placed in charge of at least a portion of the South Arcot district. The date of the grant of Virûpâksha (Śaka-Samvat 1305 for 1307, the Raktâkshi samvatsara) is a few years later than the accession of Harihara II.8 In referring to a previous grant of the village of Alampundi by Harihara II. himself, the inscription implies that the latter was ruling over a portion of the modern South Arcot district even before Śaka-Sanivat

¹ In the Tamil inscriptions contained in Volume I. of Dr. Hultzsch's South-Indian Inscriptions, especially in the comparatively modern ones among them, several instances of this peculiarity occur on each page; see, e.g., page 72, where there are no less than nine cases.

² ante, p. 116. On this name see ante, p. 119, note 6.

⁴ The Raktakshin year does not correspond to Saka-Samvat 1305, but to 1307 current.

⁵ Abdhi is a more poetical synonym of samudra, a frequent ending of village names; hence the actual surname was probably Jannambikasamudram.

⁶ ante. p. 37, verse 9. 7 Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 71.

⁸ Harihara II. must have ascended the throne between Saka-Samvat 1293 and 1301; ante, p. 115, note 11.

1307. We do not know from other sources that, at this time, he had already extended his dominions to that part of the country. The earliest inscriptions of Harihara II. that have hitherto been discovered in the south, are dated in Saka-Samvat 1315. Consequently, it is at least doubtful if the date of the Alampûndi plate can be looked upon as genuine. If the weekday were mentioned in the date, it could be verified by an expert, and the result of such verification would help considerably in deciding whether the grant is genuine or not. The omission of the week-day and of the names of the donees may also be urged against the genuineness of the document. The orthographical as well as calligraphical mistakes in which this small inscription abounds, and the uncouth language and construction which, to a casual reader, render it difficult to say who the actual donor was,—Harihara, Virûpâksha, or Jannâmbikâ, are other facts which may be urged against the genuineness of the plate. On the other hand, we cannot definitely pronounce the inscription to be a forgery, because the date, Saka-Samyat 1305 (for 1307), actually falls into the reign of Harihara II., who, in verse 4, is spoken of as if he was living at the time of the grant. 2 In spite of the doubts which may thus be reasonably entertained as to its genuineness, the grant is interesting as the first known copper-plate inscription in Grantha characters, professing to belong to the Vijayanagara dynasty.

The object of the grant, Alampûndi, is identical with the village in which the plate is still preserved. Âlampûndi was situated in the district of Chenchi, which formed part of the country of Palakunrakkôttam, which was also called after Chimkapura (v. 9). According to Mr. Crole's Chingleput Manual, page 438, Palakungakkôttam was situated in the North Arcot district. But the present inscription shows that a portion of the South Arcot district was also included in this kôttam. Chimkapura is probably the same as Singavaram near Gingee in the Tindivanam tâlukâ (No. 146 of the Taluk Map), and Chenchi is a Sanskritised form of Śenji, rulgo Gingee, the site of a well-known hill-fort. The boundaries of Alampundi were:-In the east, Tânriêntala; in the north, the Vêganadî (river); in the west, Saktimangala; and in the south, Mabhuvillienatala. Of these, Saktimangala has to be identified with Sattiyamangalam (No. 84 on the Taluk Map), which is situated to the south-west of Alampundi. The northern boundary, the Vêganadî, does not retain its old name. On the Tindicanam Taluk Map there is a river marked as flowing to the north of Alampundi, but its name is given as Varahanadi. The same river is mentioned in the Manual of the South Arcot District, where another name of the river is also given, viz. the Gingee, which is evidently derived from the town of Gingee, close to which the river flows in its lower course. Consequently, the Vêganadî of the inscription has to be identified with the Varâhanadî of the Taluk Map. Tânriêntala is a Sanskritised form of the Tamil name Tanri-endal, which means 'a hill on which tanri trees grow.' The last portion of the name of the southern boundary, énatala, is also a corruption of the Tamil word éndal, 'a hill.' But neither Tânri-êndal nor Mâbhuvilli-êndal can be traced on the Taluk Map.

In the Manual of the South Arcot District, the colophon Śrî-Harihara is explained as the signature of king Harihara II. As, however, all other Vijayanagara grants conclude with the name of some god as Virūpāksha, Veinkaṭēśa or Rāma, it is preferable to explain the colophon Śrî-Harihara as denoting the tutelar deity of king Virūpāksha, who made the grant.

TEXT.3

First Side.

- 1 ग्रुभमस्तु [॥*] ग्रींकार[ा*]कारदंष्ट्राय क्रीडते युतिपस्त-
- 2 त्ते [।*] स्थिरान्धारयते शक्तिम् नमः प्रथमपीचिषे [॥१*]

¹ ante, p. 116.

² The earliest date hitherto discovered for Harihara II. is Saka-Samvat 1301, and the latest 1321; ante. pp. 115 and 117.

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3 ग्रखत् विखभरां वन्दे वि[खां*] हरकुं[टुं*]बिनीम् । अमूर्त्तिमुखेन्दु-
 4 चूडस्य सप्तसागरमेखलाम् । [२*] त्रासीत्रि[:सीम*]महिमां हि-
 5 माश्रुक्तलशेखर: । बुकराज इति च्याप[:*] कामा-
 6 चीसंगमात्मज: । [३*] पुत्रस्तस्यास्ति सुत्रामतेजी इ-
 7 रिइरो न्द्रपः । यः षोडशमहादानदीचितः क-
 8 लिमचिणीत् । [8*] रामदेवकुलाम्भीधिकमला-
 9 यां स की[त्ति]मान् । विरूपाचमहीपाल[म*] मज्जा-
10 'देव्यामजीजनत् । [५*] 'तुष्डीरिचीळपाण्डा[ानां*] स्मापा-
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- 11 निर्जित्य सिच्छान् । स(:) शंकर् स]खादीनि पित्रे र-
- 12 त्नानि दत्तवान् । [६*] पुर्व्वा क्षी कायग्राधी-
- 13 "सी विरूपाचमहीपति: । श्रववर्षसहस्रा-
- 14 धिपञ्चीत्तरमतनय । [७*] "रक्ताचीप्रथमंक्रा-
- न्ती पुरुषकाले ग्रुमे दिने [1*] पलक् [ग्र]को-12
- दृविख्यातदेगे¹³ चिंकपुराभिधे [८*] चेच्चिनीवृति
- सुत्राममालम्पूर्ण्डोतिनामकम् [।*] पूर्व्वे दत्तम् मम
- 18 भावा नामा हरिहरेण च [८*] "तत्यामभूसुरश्रे-
- 19 हैरिखतं¹⁵ य[ा*]समुत्तमम् [।*] ¹⁶जद्राविकान्धिविख्यात-
- 20 म्17 चतुस्तीमासमन्वितम् । [१०*] नानागीत्रेभ्य18 विप्रे-
- भ्यो १ तेभ्यो भीतमदात सुधी [:*] । सर्वमान्य मया रा 21
- दत्तम् याममाचन्द्रतारकम् । [११*] एतत्यामस्य पूर्व-
- सीमैं ताशिएन्तलपय्यन्तमं । उत्तरसीमैं

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1 Read श्रम्ब दिसंभरां.
                                   2 Read हरिकुट्टिनीम.
                                                                                 ः Read मतिः
4 Read महिमा हिमांश.
                                  <sup>5</sup> Read तेजा.
                                                                                 6 Read नृप:
7 The ê of dê is at the end of the previous line.
                                  9 Read सिहलान.
10 The é of sau is at the end of the previous line.
                                                                                 n Read रकाचि.
12 The d of kô is at the beginning of the next line.
15 Read विख्याते देशे.
                                 14 Read तदगाम.
15 Read °रर्धितं.
16 Read जन्नान्विका<sup>0</sup>. The â of nnâ is engraved below the line.
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- 17 Read विख्यातं. 18 Read गीचेभ्यी. 19 The ê of bhy6 is at the end of the previous line. Read विषेथक्थी.
- 20 Read सर्वसान्धं.
- 21 The â of mayâ is at the beginning of the next line.
- 23 Read एतट्यामख.
- 26 Read सीमा ; the composer has here used the Tamil tadbhava of the Sanskrit word
- 25 Read पर्यन्तम.
- 26 Read सीमा and see note 24 above.

- 24 वेगनदीपर्यम्तम् । पश्चिम् प्रक्तिमम्गलसी-
- 25 मापर्यंन्तम् [।*] दच्चिणम् माभुविक्किएनतस-3

Second Side.

- 26 सीमापर्थन्तम् । खदत्तां परदत्तां वा यी
- 27 हरे[त*] वसुन्धराम् [।*] षष्ठिव्वैषैसहयणि विष्ठा-
- 28 याष्ट्राय[तें] क्रिमि:। [१२*] स्वदत्ता[द*] हिगुणम् पुष्य-
- 29 म् परदत्तानुपालनम् [।*] 'परदतापन्ना-
- 30 रेण खदताम् निष्फलं भवेत् । [१२*] सामान्यी[य]-
- 31 न्धर्मासेतुन्पाणम् काली काली पाल-
- 32 नीयो भवत्भः [1*] सर्व्वानेतान भाविनः पा-
- 33 र्खिवेन्द्रान् भूयो भूयो याचते रामभद्र: [॥ १४*]
- 34 श्रीहरिहर¹⁰ [॥*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Let there be prosperity!

- (Verse 1.) Adoration to the primeval Boar, whose $(pair\ of)$ tusks have the shape of the syllable Om, who is sporting in the pond $(which\ is)$ the Śruti (Vêda), (and) who possesses firm power (or), who carries the constant goddess of Fortune)!
- (V. 2.) I perpetually bow to (the goldess of) the whole Earth, who is the consort of Hari (Vishnu), who is one of the (eight) bodies of (Siva) who bears the lovely moon on his crest, (and) who has the seven oceans for her girdle!
- (V. 3.) There was a king called Bukkarâja, whose might was unbounded, who was an ornament of the race of the Moon, (and) who was the son of Kâmâkshî and Samgama.
- (V. 4.) His son is king Harihara, who equals Sutrâman (Indra) in power (and) who, being devoted to (the performance of) the sixteen great gifts, has destroyed (the sins of) the Kali (age).
- (V. 5.) This famous (king) begat prince Virûpâksha on Mallâdêvî, (who arose) from the race of Râmadêva, as Kamalâ (Lakshmî) from the ocean.
- (V. 6.) Having conquered the kings of Tundîra, Chôla and Pândya, (and) the Simhalas, he (i.e. Virûpâksha) presented crystals¹¹ and other jewels to (his) father.

² Read दिचक्तीमा

- 3 In the original the space between जि and ए is larger than usual; this is probably due to an erasure. Close to the left of ए and below the line there seems to be an indistinct symbol which may be read as इ or की.
 - 4 Read षष्टिं वर्षसहसाचि.
 - 5 The engraver has entered only the ê of tê and omitted the symbol t.
- ⁶ Read प्रताप^o; the engraver has, by mistake, written an á instead of the second t of the group tta, and the symbol should, strictly speaking, be transcribed as ता।
- 7 Read অংব ; the engraver has bere repeated the mistake mentioned in the preceding note, and thus, though he meant dattam, has put down datam.
 - 8 Read सेतुर्नेपाणां. 9 Read भवितः.

10 In Kanarese characters.

¹ Read पश्चिमसीमा शक्तिमङ्गल.

in Śamkarasakha is synonymous with śirapriya, which, according to the Sanskrit dictionaries, means 'a crystal.' According to the Tamil dictionaries, śiram is used in the sense of 'cut's-eye.'

SCALE FIVE-NINTHS.

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- (V. 7.) This prince Virûpâksha, who was regarded as the foremost of the virtuous,—in the Saka year one thousand three hundred and five;—
- (V. 8.) On the lucky day of the auspicious time of the Pushya-samkrânti in the Raktâkshin (year),—in the country (dêśa) called Palakunrakkôṭṭa, which is (also) called (after) Chimkapura;—
- (V. 9.) In the district (nivrit) of Chenchi,—the excellent village called Alampûṇḍi, which had been previously granted by (my) brother Harihara (and called) after my (i.e. Jannâmbikâ's?) name;—
- (V. 10.) The excellent village,—which was claimed by the best of the Brâhmanas of that village (and) which was (also) called Jannambikabdhi,—up to the four boundaries;—
- (V. 11.) The wise (Virûpâksha) gave, for the enjoyment of those Brâhmanas of various gôtras, (the above) village, which had been given by me (i.e. Jannâmbikâ?), free of taxes, for as long as the moon and the sun (shall endure).
- (Line 22.) The eastern boundary of this village (extends) as far as Tâṇriêntala; the northern boundary as far as the Vêganadî; the western [boundary] as far as the boundary of Saktimangala; the southern [boundary] as far as the boundary of Mâbhuvilliênatals.

[Lines 26 to 33 contain three imprecatory verses.]

(L. 34.) Śrî-Harihara.

POSTSCRIPT.

I take advantage of this opportunity to publish a short inscription of Harihara II. in Grantha characters, which is engraved at the entrance into the inner prâkâra of the Kâmâkshî temple at Kâñchîpuram, and which is dated in Śaka-Samvat 1315 expired, the Śrîmukha samvatsara.³ It consists of a single Sanskrit verse, which records that king Harihara (II.) provided a copper-door for the central shrine of the Kâmâkshî temple.

TEXT.3

- 1 प्रकारालोके प्रकाब्दे परिणम[ति] शुमे 'श्र्यीमुखा-
- 2 षा[ढ]मासे ग्रहे पचे दशम्यां रविस्तादिवसे मिन-
- 3 भे जैत्रतेजा: ॥ काञ्चगं कल्याणग्रीभी इरिइर-
- 4 न्यति[:] प्राणबस्य[:] प्रजानां कामाच्यारश्रीविमानं [व्य]ततुत
- उ सु[क]ताम्भीनिधिस्ताम्बबस्थम्॥

TRANSLATION.

On (the day of) the star Mitra (i.e. the nakshatra Anurâdhâ), on the day of the son of the sun (i.e. on Saturday), on the tenth tithi of the bright fortnight of the month of Âshâdha of the Śrimukha (samvatsara), (which was current) after the auspicious Śaka year (expressed by the chronogram) śaktyālôka (i.e. 1315) had expired, be king Harihara, whose might was

¹ The verb follows in verse 11.

² Dr. Hultzsch's *Progress Report* for February to April 1890, p. 4, No. 29 of 1890; see ante, p. 116, where reference is made to this inscription.

From an inked estampage, received from the Editor.

⁴ Read श्री. 5 Instead of परिणमित one would expect परिणते.

victorious, who was resplendent with good fortune, who was a relative (as dear as) life to (his) subjects, (and) who was an ocean of good deeds, provided the sacred shrine (vimana) of (the qoddess) Kâmâkshî at Kâcchî with a copper-door.

No. 33.— A STONE INSCRIPTION OF THE SINDA FAMILY AT BHAIRANMATTI.

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Bhairanmatții is a village ten miles east of Bâgalkôt, the chief town of the Bâgalkôt tâlukâ in the Bijapur district, Bombay Presidency. The inscription is on a stone tablet, 7' 11½° high, which stands near a modern and insignificant shrine of the god Hanumanta, outside the village and towards the south.

The writing covers a space of about 2' $0\frac{1}{2}$ " broad by 5' 6" high near the top of the tablet. and, except towards the end, is in an excellent state of preservation. - The sculptures above it. at the top of the tablet, are— in the centre, a linga; on the proper right, a seated figure, and a cobra standing on the tip of its tail, and, above them, a cobra coiled in a spiral, and the sun: and on the proper left, the bull Nandi, and, above it, a cow and calf, a crooked sword or dagger, and the moon. - The characters are Old-Kanarese; and, as may be seen from the photograph of this record, from an estampage, published in my Pâli, Sanskrit, and Old-Canarese Inscriptions, No. 86, they furnish a fine specimen of rather ornate writing of the eleventh century A.D. The average size of the letters ranges from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{5}{8}$.— The language is Old-Kanarese. There are two invocatory verses in the first two lines, and an imprecatory verse in line 56-57; and the record itself is in verse from line 10 to line 29.—In respect of orthography, the following points may be noticed: (1) the vowel i is represented by ri almost throughout; (2) the visarga has become sh, by samdhi, in sirash-karamadan, line 27-28, and âmtashkarana, line 32; (3) bh is wrongly doubled, after r, by bh, instead of by b, in garbhbham, line 11; and (4) there is much confusion between the sibilants,— s is constantly used for s; s occurs for sh in visay-adhiraja 1. 35; and sh occurs for s in shambhave, line 1, and in two other words in lines 8, 13.

The inscription is a record of a branch of the feudatory Sinda family, the members of which are called in it the Sindas of Bâgadage, i.e. of Bâgalkôt; evidently, just before the time of the Sinda Mahûmandaléśvaras of Erambarage, i.e. Yelburga, some of whose records have already been published, they held the subordinate government of much the same tract of country. The inscription was plainly written all at one and the same time. But it divides itself naturally into two parts.

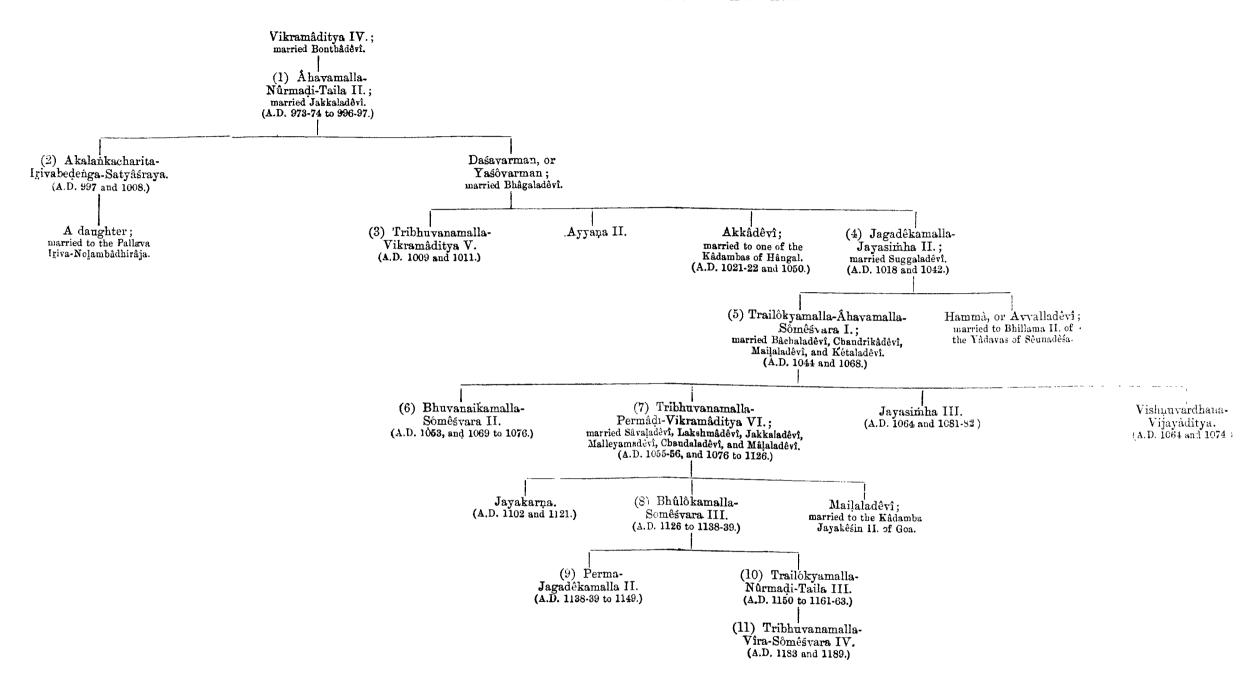
As regards historical names, the first part, lines 1 to 50, tells us that in the time of the Western Châlukya king Taila II., and in the Vikrita samvatsara, = A.D. 990-91, coupled with

¹ Indian Atlas, Sheet No. 58,- 'Pyrunmuttee.'

³ For this identification, see Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 170.

³ Jour. Bo. Br. R. As. Soc. Vol. XI. p. 219 ff.

⁴ I take this opportunity of publishing a revised table of the Western Châlukya dynasty of Kalyâṇapura, i.e. of the modern Kalyâṇi in the Nizâm's Dominions. The numerals prefixed to some of the names indicate the members of the family who actually reigned, and the order in which they succeeded each other.



Śaka-Samvat 911 by mistake for 912 (expired), there was a Sinda prince named Pulikâla, son of Kammara or Kammayyarasa and Sagarabbarasi; to Pulikâla and Rêvakabbe there was born the Mahâsâmunta Nâgâditya, Nâgâtya, or Nâgâtiyarasa; to Nâgâditya and Poleyabbarasi there was born Polasinda; and to Polasinda and Bijjaladêvî, daughter of the Khânḍava Manḍaléśvara, there was born the Mahâmanḍaléśvara Sêvyarasa. This latter person is mentioned as a vassal of the Western Châlukya king Sômêśvara II. And this fixes the period A.D. 1069 to 1076 as the time when the inscription was put on the stone. But the antique expression râjyam-geyye, in line 4, shews that the opening part of it was taken from some record which had been drawn up more or less synchronously with the date that is given in connection with Taila II. and Pulikâla. This part of the record registers the fact that in some unspecified year, on a Sunday combining the uttarâyana-samkrânti or winter solstice with the Vyatîpâta yôga, the Mahâsâmanta Nâgâditya had granted to a priest named Paratraya-Simharâsibhaṭṭa a field, measuring one thousand mattars by the measuring-rod of Pattiya-Mattaüra, at the village of Kiriya-Siriūra, and that the aruvana, or tax on the field, was twelve gadyânas.

The second part of the inscription, from line 50 to the end, registers a grant, at a village named Puradakêri, which the same Mahâsâmanta Nâgâditya had made to a priest named Têjôrâsîpaṇḍita in the time of the Western Châlukya king Jayasimha II., when the latter was reigning at Koḷḷipâke, in the Śrîmukha samvatsara, Śaka-Samvat 955 (expired), = A.D. 1033-34; and it adds that this priest, who was the Âchârya of the god Sindêśvara, effected some repairs to the temple of that god.

A special point of interest in this record is the legendary account as to the origin of the Sinda family, and of its name. These Sindas claimed to belong to the Någavamša or race of hooded serpents,— to carry the någa-dhvaja or phani-patākā, i.e. the banner which line 41 of the text explains as bearing representations of the Någa kings Ananta, Våsugi (more properly Våsuki), and Takshaka,— to use the vyåghra-lånchhana or tiger-crest,— and to have the hereditary title of "lord of Bhôgàvatî, the best of towns," which place, in Hindú mythology, was the capital of the Någa king Våsuki in Rasåtala, one of the seven divisions of Pàtāla or the subterranean regions. And, by way of accounting for all these attributes, and for the family-name, the record tells us that the eponymous founder of the family was a certain "long-armed" Sinda, a human son of the serpent-king Dharanêndra, born at Ahichchhatra in the region of the river Sindhu, i.e. the Indus. and reared by a tiger. This Sinda is said to have married the daughter of a Kaḍamba prince, and to have had by her three sons, who established the family of the kings of the Sinda race. They appear to have been the first of a line of thirty-one successive rulers. And after them, at unspecified intervals, there came another prince named Sinda, and then Kammara or Kammayyarasa, the father of Pulikâla.

The eponymous "long-armed Sinda" figures in records of also another branch of the Sinda family; for instance, in an inscription of about A.D. 1165 at Harihar (Páli, Sanskrit, and Old-

¹ By the mean-sign system of the cycle, the Vikrita or Vikriti samvatsara began on the 18th April, A.D. 988, in Śaka-Samvat 911 current, and ended on the 14th April, A.D. 989, in Śaka-Samvat 912 current (= 911 expired). But that system had then gone out of use in the part of the country to which this record belongs, and had been superseded by the southern luni-solar system, according to which the samvatsara in question coincided with Śaka-Samvat 913 current (= 912 expired).— Further details of the date,— the month, etc.— are not given.

² This name seems to represent the Kanarese hali, 'tiger,' and kâlu, 'foot or leg.'

³ This seems to be a family or territorial designation, rather than a personal name. And, in fact, the dictionaries give the word khandava as the name of a region.

^{*} This must be the modern Hattî-Mattûr in the Karajgî tâlukâ, Dhârwâr district.

⁵ This must have been a village, now non-existent, somewhere in the neighbourhood of Bhairanmatti,— possibly a hamlet of, or offshoot from, the modern Śirûr, which is about seven miles to the south-west.

⁶ The maps do not shew any village of this name anywhere in the neighbourhood of Buairanmatti.

⁷ In this date, again, no further details are given.

E The passage gives one of the few instances of the word kadamba being written with the lingual d.

Canarese Inscriptions, No. 119, and Mysore Inscriptions, p. 60), which describes him as born from the union of the god Siva with the river Sindhu, and brought up by the king of serpents on tiger's milk, and says that, being told that Karahâṭa, the modern Karâḍ in the Sâtârâ district, was to be his residence, he went there, drove out the kings, acquired the earth for himself by the strength of his own arm, and so came to rule over many districts in the Karahâta Four-thousand province.

TEXT.1

- Om^2 [||*] Namas3=tumga-śiraś-chumbi-chandra-châmara-chârayê trailôkya-nagarârambha-mûla-stambhâya Sha(śa)mbhavê || Jayamty4=â-
- vishkritam Vishnôr=vvârâham kshôbhit-ârnnavam dakshin-ônnata-damshtr-âgravisrâ(śrâ)nta-bhuvanam vapu[h*] || Ôm
- Ôm Śrîpri(pri)thvîvallabha mahârâjâdhirâja paramêsva(sva)ra para⁵mabhattarakam uttarôttaram-âge Tailapa-
- 4 ууат râjyam-geyye Sa(śa)ka-varsha 911 Vikri(kri)tam=emba samvatsara pravarttise [|*] Ari-nri(nri)pati-kari-
- 5 kumbhi-kumbhasthala-vinirggata-karavâla-vimukti(kta)-muktâphal-ôchchh i (chch i) tasamara-samghattana-labdha-vîra-vi-
- jaya-râjya-lakshmî-vaksha[h*]sthala di(dri)shtivisha-kuļa-tiļaka phanâ-manikirana-vibhasura-Nagavams(s)-odbha-
- 7 nagadhvaja-pratapa **v**a vijaya-pareghôshana vyaghra-lancha(nchha)na Bhôgâvatîpura-paramêsva(śva)ra nanni-
- g-âshra(śra)ya ranaranga-kêsari visishta-jana-priya âśrita-jana-kalpavri(vri)ksha pusig=enippa sara-kri(kri)ta-
- Sinda-Nârâyana marimâtam anyaja-Manôja nallargge-nalla dâmara-malla êkâmja-Sûdruka⁶ śrî-
- 10 Pulikāla || Ôm [||*] Dharanêmdr7-êhişvaram8 mânavabhava-nuta-bhûlôkamam nôrppen=end=âdaradim ta-
- pimtirisi 11 t-sainyamam vaniteyum tânum-âd-akkarimdam bare garbhbha(rbbha)m tôre tad-vallabhege paded=Ahichchha-
- 12 tradolu puttidam bhâsura-têj-ôdbhâsi Simdhû-nadiya kuruvadolu Simdan= emba[m*] kumâra ||
- Padedu⁹ vimôhamam pulig=ahîśvaran=î śishu (śu) yam surakshitam nadap=ene panne(nna)g-âdhipatiyolu besa-ve-
- mahâ-mahîśanam nadap=ene kumârakam¹⁰ baled=il-âdhika-sau(sau)ryyada dîrggha-bâhuvan pade-
- Sinda-vishay-âdhipan=unnata-vîra-sâ(śâ)sana || sanda Bharadindan¹¹=nidudô(dô)la Sinda-vibhu kay [v*]am

¹ From the original stone.— There is a transcription of this record in Sir Walter Elliot's Carnataka-Désa Inscriptions, Vol. 1. p. 25.

² Represented here, at the end of line 2, and at the beginning of line 3, by an ornate symbol; elsewhere, by a plain symbol. - At the end of line 2, in the photograph, the symbol has been spoilt, in mistakenly trying to make the estampage clearer for reproduction.

² Metre: Ślóka (Anushtubh); and in the next verse. Read jayaty.

⁵ This akshara, ra, was at first omitted, and then was inserted above the line.

⁸ Read 8kânga-Súdraka. 7 Metre : Mahâsragdharâ. 8 Read odhiivaram. ⁹ Metre: Champakaınâlâ.

¹⁰ In nadap=ene kumarakam the metre is faulty; there is one short syllable too many.

¹¹ Metre: Mattêbhavikrîdita.

- 16 muchche kannam Kadambar=adhîsa priyadim tanûbhaveyan=îyalu komdu tân=â manô-
- 17 hari(re)yolu krîdisutt(t)-ippinam tane(na)yar-âdar=mûvar-â mûvarim pared=at[y*]unna-
- 18 ta-Sindavamśa-mahibhri(bhri)t-samjâtar=î lôkadoļu || Ant¹=â mûvatt-onda niśchimtade Bâga-
- 19 dage-nadan-alalu sêvyam Kantu-samanam puṭṭid-ananta-guṇam negardda Sindan-e[m*]ba kuma-
- 20 [ra] || Nidu-dôla Sindanim tân=edev-ariyade bamda Sindar=ânvâyam² Bâgadageya
- 21 Simdarin=esedadu podaviyoļ=ene negarddan=alte Kammaran=emba || Dhare pogaļe nega-
- 22 | da Kammayy-arasamgam=anûna-vidita-guṇa-gaṇa-sî(śi)l-âbharaṇa-[â*]bhûshita-Sagarabb-arasiga-
- 23 [m=a]sam-eseye puṭṭidaṁ Pulikâla || Pulikâla-nri(nṛi)patiga[ṁ*] Śrî-lalanege dorey-enipa
- 24 Rêvakabbegam=âdam [sale*] sad-guṇade su-putra[m*] kula-dîpakan=enisi puttida³ Nâgâtya-nri(nri)pa ||
- 25 Kali-Nagaditya⁴-nri(nri)pamgam Poleyabbarasigam=anûna-guṇa-gaṇa-nilayam kulam=ese-
- 26 e(ye) puṭṭidaṁ śrî-Polasiṁda[ṁ*] Siṁdavaṁsa(śa)-tilakaṁ dhareyolu || Khâṇḍava⁵-maṇḍalêsva(śva)ra-tanû-
- 27 bhave Bijjaladêvi tâyi jagan⁶-maṇḍa[na*]n=âdi-râja-charitaṁ phaṇikêtana[n=a*]nya-râja-vêdaṇḍa-si(śi)rash-ka-
- 28 ramndan⁷-avamuktaka-bhûpane tamde **Simda-**mârttamdan-enalk-idanbhaya⁸-pakshavisu(su)dhdhano **S**ê-
- 29 vya-bhûbhuja || Svasti Samadhigatapamchamahâśabda-mahâmamdaļêśvara Bhôgâ-vatî-puravar-â-
- 30 dhî śvaran=Ahichchhatrapura-dharâmara-raksha-daksha-dakshina-bhujâdamda Simda-marttamdan=anê-
- 31 ka-śastraśâstra-pârâyâra-pârâyaṇam mûrtti-Nârâ[ya*]ṇa Hara-charaṇa-smaraṇa-pari-
- 32 nat-âmtashkarana parama-mâhêśvaram phanipatâk-êśvaram ripu-mamdalika-daityavilaya-kara-
- 33 na-parinat-Ôpêmdra nara-svarûpa-nâgêmdra sakala-kalâ-kalita-vâ . . lanâ-lîlâ-lalâ-
- 34 ma bhuja-bala-bhîma **Bhuva[naika]malladêva-**charaṇa-kêlî-durllalita-kalahamsa Simdavamś-ôttam-
- 35 sa sâhitya-vidyâ-vivêka-Virimchana vyâghra-lâmchhana Simda-viśa(sha)y-âdhirâja sahaja-rûpa-
- 36 Manôja trailôkya-varttita-kîrtti Pâtâļa-chakravartti vidha(da)gdha-vibudha-janastutyan=abhinava-Vi-
- 37 kramâditya karavâļa-vidyâ-Sahadêva kaṭakada-gôvam śrîman-mahâmamdaļêśvara prabhu-Sêvy-a-
- 38 rasaru || Svasti Samadhigatapa[m*]chamahâsabda-mahâsâmamta ripu-nri(nri)pati-kari-kumbhi-kum-

¹ Metre: Kanda; and in the next four verses.

² In the second syllable, the short a has been lengthened for the sake of the metre.

³ Here, again, the metre is faulty; this word, or the preceding one, introduces one short syllable too many.

⁴ The metre requires Nagatya, as in the preceding line.

⁵ Metre: Utpalamālikā. ⁶ The metre requires tāy=jagan.

⁷ Read °karandan. 8 Rea

⁸ Read oid=én=ubhaya.

- 39 kumbhasthalal-vidâru(ra)n-âruṇita-karavâla-sô(ŝô)bhita-dakshiṇa-dôrddamḍa n = u b h a y a bala-gam-
- 40 da ari-nri(nri)pa-samhâra-kâraṇa-Kulika **dri(dri)shṭivisha-kuḷa-**tilaka suvarṇṇa-chchhatra-traya-bhû-
- 41 shana vijaya-pareghôshana Bhôgâvatî-puravar-êsva(śva)[ra]n=A[na*]nta-Vâ[su*]gi-Takshaka-phani-patâk-êsva(śva)ra vyâ-
- 42 **ghra-l**âmchhana-Manoja **S**imdhu-vishay-âdhirâja sakala-bhuvana-bhavana-pa[ra]-nri(nṛi)pa-vanitâjana-kamda-
- 43 n=akalamka-Simda Simda-kula-tilaka śrî-Nâgâditya || Svasti Yama-niyama-svâdhyâya-mò(mau)n-ádhyân-ànu-
- 44 shṭhâṇa(na)-paràyaṇar=appa Paratraya-Simharâsi(śi)bhaṭṭarargge³ uttarâyaṇa-samkrânti-ya(vya)tîpâta-
- 45 Âdityavārad-amdu Pattiya-Mattaürada damdinolu Kiriya-Siriürada sâyira mattar=ppola-
- 46 na[m*] Simdêsva(śva)ra-dêvargge Nâgâtiyarasa Paratraya-Simharâsi(śi)-gaļa kâla[m*] karchchi koṭṭa [l*] ant=â sâyi-
- 47 ra mattarimg[e*] aguvana gadyâna hanneradu [b]rahmach[â*]ryyam-uļļavaru sthânaman=âļvaru [||*] Î dha-
- 48 rmmamain kâdâtainge Gainge Gaye Varaṇâsiy[olu sâ]yira kavileya kôdum kolagumain poin-
- 49 no]=kaṭṭisi sâsirvva[r*]=ttapôdhanar[ggaṁ] chat[urvvêda-pârâya]ṇarigaṁ koṭṭa phala [|*] î dharmmamaṁ pûṇḍ=aḷidavaṁge sa-
- 50 hasra-kavileyumam [ta]pôdha[nar]umam [vadhi]sida pañcha-mahàpâtaka [||*] Svasti Samastabhuvanâsra(śra)yam
- 51 śrî[pṛi*]thvîvallabham mahârâjâdhirâjam [paramêśvaram paramabhaṭṭâ]raka[m] Châluky-âbharaṇam śrîmaj-Jagadêka-
- 52 malladêvaru Kollipâkeya bîd[i]nol[u su]kha-samka[thâ-vinô]dadim râjyam-geyye [|*] Sa(śa)ka-varsha 955[ne*]ya
- 53 Śrîmukha-samvatsara pravarttise [|*] Śrîman-mahâsâma[m*]ta-Nâgâtiy-a[ra]sam śrîʃma]t-Têjörâsi(śi)-pamditara
- 54 kâlam kachchi **Puradakêriya** pogede vargge bitta parisûtradol=âda damda-dô-
- 55 samu dêvargge [||*] Î dharmmaman=aruvar=ggâv[umdugalu pratipâlis]uvaru [|*] idan=alidavamge kapileyum ta-
- 56 pódhanarumam vadhisi[da pâtakam=akku] [||*] [Sva³-dattâm para-dattâm vâ yó] harêti(ta) vasundharâm sashtir-vvarsha⁴-sahasrâni
- 57 vishthâyâm jâyatê krimih !! Śrî-Sindêśvara-dêvar=âchâryya [Têjôrâśi-pa]ṇḍitaru jìrnn(rṇṇ)-ô-
- 58 dhdhâ(ddhà)rava[m] puna[h*]-pratishthe-mâḍidaru [||*] Mamgaļa-mahâ-śrî-śrî-śrî-śrî [||*]

ABSTRACT OF CONTENTS.

After a standard invocation of Siva under the name of Sambhu, and another of Vishuu as the Boar, the inscription commences:— While the favourite of fortune and of the earth, the Mahûrûjûdhirûjû, the Paraméśvara, the Paramabhaṭṭāraka, Tailapayya (II.) (line 3-4) was reigning, and when the Vikṛita samvatsara, which was the Saka year 911, was current (1.4), (there was) the illustrious Pulikâla (1.10), who was the ornament of the family of the

¹ In this word, the syllable kum has been repeated by mistake in passing from line 38 to line 89.

Read °bhattargge.

Metre: Śloka (Anashtubh).

Read shashtim rarsha.

serpents (lit. 'the family of those who have poison in their glances,'—drishtivisha-kula, l. 6); who was born in the Nâgavamśa, which is resplendent with the rays of the jewels in the hoods of the members of it; who had the dignity of the nâga-banner (l. 7); who had the crest of a tiger; who was the supreme lord of the town Bhôgâvatî; who was a very Nârâyaṇa among the Sindas (l. 9); and who, even unaided, was a very Śūdraka.

There is then introduced Pulikâla's genealogy: -- Saying: "I will behold the region of the earth which is so belauded by the sons of men," there came (from the lower regions) Dharanêndra, the serpent-king (l. 10), leaving his army behind him out of respect,- both he and his wife, through the affection that existed between them; and then, on her becoming pregnant, there was born to his lady, at Ahichchhatra (l. 11-12) in the region of the river Sindhû, a prince named Sinda (l. 12), resplendent with lustrous glory. Being much perplexed (at the birth of a son in human form), the serpent-king said to a tiger: - "Carefully preserve this child in safety" (1.13). Thereupon the tiger, preferring in turn his own request to the lord of snakes, said :- "Cause him to become a great lord of the earth" (l. 14). And so the boy was nourished. and, becoming the lord of the Sinda country (1.15) and practising exalted and brave precepts, developed long arms of prowess which surpassed everything else on the earth. When the long-armed lord Sinda joined his hands and closed his eyes (in respectful request), the lord of the Kadambas (l. 16) through affection gave him his daughter; and, he having taken her, during the time that he lived in dalliance with that charming woman, there were born three sons (l. 17), from whom there sprang those who were born as kings in the most exalted race of the Sindas (l. 18).

While they, thirty-one (in succession), were governing the Bâgadage district with freedom from anxiety, there was born (another) prince named Sinda (l. 19).

Glorious on the earth, through the Sindas of Bâgadage (l. 20), is the lineage of the Sindas, which came without a break from the long-armed Sinda; and famous was he who was named Kammara (l. 21). Amidst the praises of the world, to Kammayyarasa and to his wife Sagarabbarasi (l. 22) there was born Pulikâla (l. 23). To the king Pulikâla and to Rêvakabbe (l. 24) there was born king Nâgâtya (l. 24). To the brave king Nâgâtya and to Poleyabbarasi (l. 25) there was born Polasinda (l. 26), an ornament of the Sinda race. (And his son is) king Sêvya (l. 28-29), pure by both lines of descent; for, his mother was Bijjaladêvî (l. 27), daughter of the Khândava Mandalêsvara (l. 26), and his father was that sun of the Sindas, who had the banner of the hooded serpents.

Hail! A Mahâmaṇḍaléśvara who has attained the pañchamahâśabda; the supreme lord of Bhôgâvatî, the best of towns (l. 29); he whose right arm is skilful in protecting the Brâhmaṇas of the town of Ahichchhatra (l. 30); the sun of the Sindas; a most devout worshipper of the god Mahêśvara (l. 32); the lord of the banner of hooded serpents; a very king of Nâgas in human form (l. 33); a kalahamsa-bird whose feathers are ruffled by the play of the feet of Bhuvanaikamalladêva-(Sômêśvara II.) (l. 34); the ornament of the Sindavamśa; the owner of the tiger-banner (l. 35); the king of the Sinda country; the emperor of Patâla (l. 36); a very Vikramâditya in a new form; a very Sahadêva in the art of using the sword,—(such is) the illustrious Mahâmaṇḍaléśvara, the lord Sêvyarasa (l. 37).

Hail! A Mahásámanta who had attained the pañchamahásabda (l. 38); a very Kulika in effecting the destruction of hostile kings (l. 40); an ornament of the family of the serpents (drishtivisha-kuļa); decorated with three golden umbrellas; the lord of Bhógávati, the best of towns (l. 41); the lord of the banner of the hooded serpents Ananta and Vâsugi and

¹ This seems to be the meaning of the text. But it is not clear why the neuter form of the numeral is used, instead of the masculine.

Takshaka; a very Kâmadêva with his tiger-crest; the king of the Sindhu country (1.42); the spotless Sinda (1.43); the ornament of the Sindakuļa,— (such was) the illustrious Nâgâditya.

Hail! To Paratraya-Simharâsibhaṭṭa (l. 44), on a Sunday which combined the Uttarâyaṇa-samkrânti and the Vyatîpâta (yôga), having washed the feet of Paratraya-Simharâsi, Nâgâtiyarasa gave, for the god Sindêsvara, a field, of the measure of one thousand mattars by the staff of Pattiya-Mattaüra (l. 45), of (the village of) Kiriya-Siriüra. The arwaṇa on these thousand mattars is twelve gadyāṇas. And those who are in the state of being Brahmachārins shall manage the property.

Têjorâsipandita (l. 57), the Âchârya of the god Sindêsvara, restored such (parts of the temple) as had fallen into ruin.

No. 34.— KUNIYUR PLATES OF THE TIME OF VENKATA II.; SAKA-SAMVAT 1556.

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The copper-plates which bear this inscription, belong to a Brâhmana resident of the village of Kûniyûr in the Ambâsamudram tâlukâ of the Tinnevelly district, and were sent to Dr. Hultzsch for examination by Mr. T. Varada Rao, Acting Head Assistant Collector of Tinnevelly, in December 1890. I edit the inscription from two sets of ink-impressions, which were kindly made over to me by Dr. Hultzsch, who has already noticed it briefly in his *Progress Report* for October 1890 to March 1891.³

The original consists of seven plates, measuring $8\frac{3}{4}$ inches in height from the middle of the bottom to the middle of the semi-circular top, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches in breadth between the two parallel sides, the height of which approaches to $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches. The ring-hole, which is a little more than $\frac{1}{2}$ in diameter, is bored just $\frac{3}{4}$ below the rounded top. "The plates are strung on a ring with the seal which contains the figure of a boar facing the left, the legend Sri-Veinkaṭésa, and representations of the sun and the moon" (loc. cit.). The first and last of the seven plates bear writing only on the inner side, while the rest are written on both sides. The second side of the first plate, where the inscription begins, is marked with the Telugu numeral 'one' to the proper right of the ring-hole, while the remaining plates are similarly and regularly numbered on their first sides. From the appearance of the impressions I infer that the original plates have raised rims, and that those letters at the beginning and end of lines, which are indistinct on the impressions, may be quite clear in the original.

^{1 &#}x27;Sindhu' is possibly a mistake for 'Sinda.'

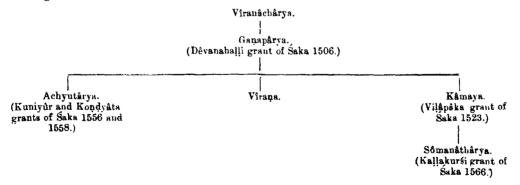
² Here we have bids, 'a temporary residence, a halting-place.' It seems to have not so strong a meaning as nelevids, of which of course it is a component.

^{*} Madras G. O. dated 10th June 1891, No. 452, Public, p. 6.

As other grants of the third Vijayanagara dynasty, the present grant is written in the Nandinagari alphabet. The writer has been very careless and quick, so much so, that the letters ya, va, da and ta assume various forms and that, in conjunct consonants, the several parts are often not easily distinguishable. Several erasures and insertions are made, the most important of which are pointed out in the foot-notes. The writing on the whole of the first side of the sixth plate and on the latter part of the seventh is very small, evidently owing to want of space. A graphical peculiarity which I have noticed in this and in the Vilâpâka grant of Venkata I., an impression of which Dr. Hultzsch has kindly given me, is that the group rya is expressed by combining the full form of r with the secondary form of ya; but in four cases (in lines 9 and 15, and twice in line 255), the r is, as usual, written over the line. Other consonants following r are written in the usual style, with the exception of rma in line 170, where the secondary form of m is affixed to the full form of r. The yowel ri is never used at the beginning of words, but is then expressed by ri, ru, and even r^2 (lines 176, 182, 184 and 241). Jña is written as $gj\tilde{n}a$ in two cases (lines 11 and 143). The prefixing of y and v to certain vowels, the interchange of the dental and palatal sibilants, the insertion of superfluous anusvaras, visargas and punctuation-marks, the assimilation of consonant-groups, and similar vulgarisms are not uncommon in this and other grants of the third Vijayanagara dynasty. Comparatively speaking, the present inscription is on the whole correct.

The language is Sanskrit verse in various metres. The poetry is of the poorest possible kind and deserves that name only because it conforms to the laws of metrics. Line 249, which is in Telugu prose, is engraved on the upper margin of plate vii. and was evidently inserted after the engraving of the whole grant had been finished.

The composer of this inscription and of the Vilâpâka, Kondyâta,³ and Kallakurši⁴ grants of Venkaṭa I., Venkaṭa II., and Ranga VI. is stated to have been one and the same person, viz. Râma, the son of Kâmakôṭi and grandson of Sabhāpati; while the engravers of these four grants were Kâmayâchârya (the son of Gaṇapaya and younger brother of Vîraṇa), Achyutârya (the son of Gaṇapayarya and grandson of Vîraṇâchârya), and Sômanāthârya (the son of Kâmaya and grandson of Gaṇapayarya). It thus appears that Achyutârya, Vîraṇa and Kâmayâchârya were brothers. The engraver of the Dévanahaḷḷi grant of Ranga II.⁵ was Gaṇapârya, the son of Vîraṇa. Evidently the descendants of Vîraṇâchârya were the hereditary engravers of the grants of the kings of the third Vijayanagara dynasty. Their relations are shown in the following table.



The inscription may be divided into four parts:—I. a genealogy of king Venkaṭa II. of the third Vijayanagara dynasty (vv. 1-37); II. the date of the grant and the description of the granted village (vv. 38-48); III. a genealogy of Tirumala of the Nâyaka dynasty (of

¹ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 125, note 4.
² In line 205 the same symbol is used for the final r.
⁴ ibid. p. 153 ff.
⁵ Mysore Inscriptions, p. 252 ff.

Madhurà) (vv. 49 to 54); and IV. the information that the previously mentioned village was granted by Veńkata II. at the request of Tirumala to a number of Brâhmaṇas, and a list of their names, etc. (vv. 55-118). The inscription ends with some additional clauses regarding the grant, three verses (124-126) referring to Veńkata II., the composer and the engraver, five of the usual imprecatory verses, and the name of the god $\tilde{Sri-Veňkateśa}$.

The first part of the inscription opens with invocations of the god Venkatêsa (line 1), the feet of Râma (verse 1), and the god Vishvaksêna (verse 2). The genealogy begins with the Moon (verse 3) and some of his mythical descendants (verse 4). The next verse contains a number of royal names which the composer appears to have introduced in order to connect his patron with certain well-known ancient dynasties. Thus Nanda is the representative of the dynasty which was subverted by the Mauryas; Chalikka and Rajanarendra, of the Chalukyas; and Bijjalendra, of the Kalachuris. Vîra-Hemmâlirâya, the lord of Mâyâpurî, is probably identical with the Kalachuri king Permâdi (Śaka-Samyat 1050).² The fourth after Hemmâli is reported to have been Tata-Pinnama (verse 6), with whom the regular genealogy begins. The only difficult point in this long list of kings is the relation of Ranga, the father of Venkata II., to his predecessors. Dr. Hultzsch has conclusively shown3 that the word pâceam, formerly, in verse 24 of the subjoined inscription refers to Râma II., and that Dr. Oppert's arrangement of the third Viiavanagara dynasty4 is opposed to facts. One alteration has to be made in Dr. Hultzsch's table: as recognised by Dr. Oppert, Ranga VI. was not the son of Gôpâla. but the son of China- or Pina-Venkata, and the adopted son of Gôpâla.7 In the annexed genealogical table, the Arabic figures prefixed to names show the order in which the latter are mentioned in the copper-plate grants.

The second of the kings of the accompanying table, Sômidêva, is said to have taken seven forts in a single day from ar unnamed enemy (verse 6). Pinnama II. is styled the "lord of the city of Aravîti" (verse 7). His son, Bukka, is said to have "firmly established even the kingdom of Saluva-Nrisimha." From this statement we may conclude that he was the minister of the third king of the second Vijayanagara dynasty, Nrisimha or Narasimha, whose inscriptions are dated in Saka-Samvat 1404 and 1418,8 and who bore the surname Saluva.9 Regarding Bukka's son, Râma I., we learn from two other grants10 that he took the fort of Avanigiri from Sapâda or Sapâta, whose army consisted of seventy thousand horse, drove away Kâsappodaya or Kâsapudaya, and captured the fort of Kandanavoli. Both Muhammadan historians and European travellers inform us that Rama II. was the powerful minister of the puppet king Sadaśiva, the last representative of the second Vijayanagara dynasty, whose sister he took in marriage as we learn from an inscription of Sadásiva.11 Râma II. and his youngest brother Venkatadri lost their lives in the famous battle of Talikôta on the 23rd January, A.D. 1565. The second brother, Tirumala I., continues to acknowledge the nominal authority of Sadasiva in four inscriptions near Vêlûr in the North Arcot district, which are dated on the 5th February, A.D. 1567.12 He is said to have transferred the seat of government to Pennakonda in that very

¹ This is the name of the image of Vishnu on the hill of Tirumalai near Tirupati in the Chandragiri tâlukâ of the North Arcot district.

² See Dr Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 58 f.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 153, and Vol. XV. p. 147 f.

⁴ Madras Journal of Literature and Science for the year 1881, p. 277, and Ne Sutor Ultra Crepidam, pp. 28 and 81.

र The words धरणीमवापमधुना in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 158, plate iii. b, line 10 f. must be written as one.

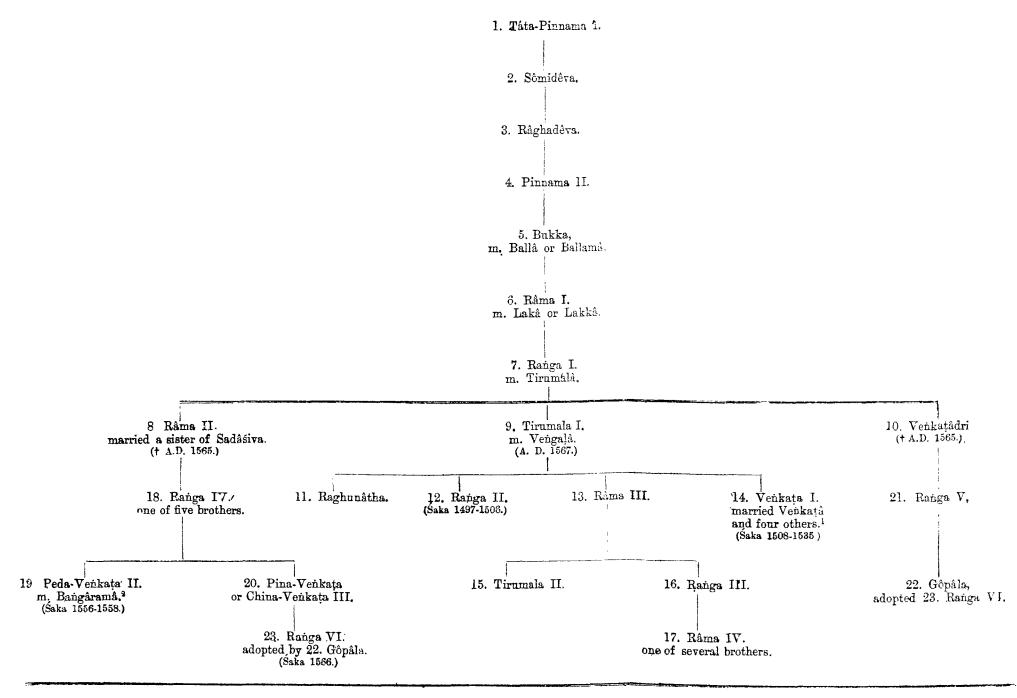
⁸ Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 362, note 5.

⁹ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. Nos. 116 and 119.

¹⁰ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 129, verses 10 and 11, and foot-notes.

¹¹ Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 154 f.

¹² South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 69 ff. and Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII p. 136.



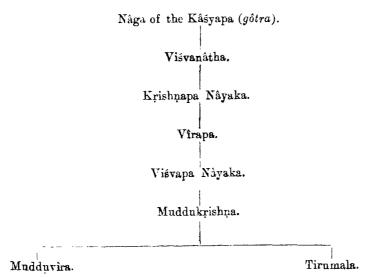
These were Råghavå, Pedôpamå, Krishpamå and Kondå according to the Vilåpåka grant.
 See verse 31 of the present inscription.

year.¹ His second son, Ranga II., is actually called king of Penugonda (verse 19). The same town was the residence of Venkata II., to whose time the subjoined inscription belongs (verse 32)

The description of the reign of Venkaṭa II. and the list of his birudas (verses 33-37) are altogether devoid of historical value, because they have been copied over from the inscriptions of his predecessors. Thus, verse 33 of the Kûniyûr grant (= verse 36 of the Konḍyâta grant), which records that Venkaṭa II. was anointed by his family preceptor Tâtayârya and that he destroyed the Yavanas (i.e. the Muḥammadans), is already applied to Venkaṭa I. in the Viḷâpâka grant.

The third part of the inscription (verses 49-54) supplies the following genealogy of Tirumala Nâyaka (of Madhurâ), who is well-known on account of the magnificient buildings with which he adorned his capital.

The Nâyakas of Madhurâ.



"This pedigree agrees almost completely with that of the Nâyakas of Madhurâ given by Mr. Sewell,² with the only difference that the present inscription makes Muddukrishna the son of Viśvapa, while, according to Mr. Sewell, he was the son of Viśvapa's elder brother." A copper coin of Muddukrishna, the father of Tirumala, and three copper coins of Viśvanâtha. the second in the pedigree, have been published by Dr. Hultzsch. The two first Nâyakas ot Madhurâ were originally generals of the king of Vijayanagara. Having been despatched by their sovereign against the king of Tañjâvûr, they seized Madhurâ and founded an independent dynasty. The present grant shows that they continued, at least nominally, to acknowledge the kings of the third Vijayanagara dynasty as their sovereigns.

The second and fourth parts of the inscription (verses 38-48; and verse 55 to the end) contain the grant itself. The date of the grant was the full-moon tithi of Vaisakha in Saka-Samvat 1556 (expired), the Bhava samvatsara (A.D. 1634) (verse 38 f.). Venkata II. issued the grant in the presence of the god Venkatesa (verse 39), who is also invoked at the beginning and end of the inscription (lines 1 and 266). The object of the grant was the

¹ Dr. Burnell's South-Indian Palaography, p. 55, note.

Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. p. 200. See page 236 above, note 3.

⁴ Ind. Ant. Vol. XX, p. 308, No. 38, and Vol. XXI, p. 325, Nos. 14 to 16.

⁵ Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol II. p 200 f.

village of Kûniyûr (verse 46), which was surnamed Muddukrishnâpuram (verse 45) evidently after Muddukrishna, the father of the donor, Tirumala. The village was situated in the Vîravanallûru-mâghâni, in Mulli-nâdu, in Tirvadi-râjya (verse 41), to the south of the Tâmraparnî river and of Bhrântamangala, to the east of Kârukurchi, and to the west of Śēravanmahâdêvi (verse 42 f.). According to verse 119, it was situated on the bank of the Kurnâtaka (i.e. Karnâtaka) canal, and according to verse 122, "on the western bank of the canal which flows to the south." The Map which accompanies the Tinnevelly Manual, shows two of the boundaries of Kûniyûr, viz. Shêrmâdêvi (Şêravanmahâdêvi) and, to the west of it, Karaikurichi (? Kârukurchi), both situated in the Ambàsamudram tâlukâ and to the south of the Tâmraparnî river. The mâghâni in which Kûniyûr is stated to have been situated, was evidently named after Vîravanallûr, a village to the west of Karaikurichi. The term Tirvadi-râjya is perhaps derived from the Tamil tiruvadi, "the sacred feet" (of the king). The Karnâtaka canal on which Kûniyûr was situated, reminds of the "Kannadiyan channel;" 1 but the two can hardly be identical as the "Kannadiyan channel" does not appear to extend as far east as Karaikurichi and Shêrmâdêvi.

In the list of donees occur many names of Tamil origin. Most of these are derived from the designations of certain temples of Vishņu and Śiva in Southern India. Thus, Alagâdri is called after the sacred hill of Alagar in the Madura district; Venkatadri, Venkatapati, Vêngadatt-appa, Timm-arasu, Tirumala, Tiruvêngada, Vadamala and Sêshâdri are derived from different names of the temple on the hill at Tirupati in the North Arcot district; Varadabhatta owes his name to the Varadaraja (Arulala-Perumal) temple at Little Kanchi in the Chingleput district; Ranga and Rangaraja refer to the temple at Śrîrangam in the Trichinopoly district; and Ahôbala is the name of a village in the Karmul district, which contains a famous shrine of Narasimha. Among the names connected with Saiva temples, Arura is derived from Tiruvârûr in the Tanjore district, and is commonly applied in Tamil literature to Sundaramûrti, one of the sixty-three Tiruttondar or Saiva devotees; Kanakasabhapati is a name of the god at Chidambaram in the South Arcot district, and Chidambaravadhanin is called after the same place; Chokkanâthamakhin and Chokkâvadhânin are derived from Chokkanathasvamin, one of the names of the god at Madhura; Kalahasti is the name of a famous place of pilgrimage in the North Arcot district; and Arunagiri and Arunadri are Sanskrit names of Tiruvannamalai in the South Arcot district. Among the remaining Tamil names, Periyatiruvadi is synonymous with Periyalvar, the name of one of the twelve principal saints of the Vaishnavas. Âlvâr (i.e. âlvâr in Tamil) is an epithet which the Vaishnavas add to the names of their gurus, and nayanar, the first member of Nainarbhatta, is an honorific title affixed to the names of Saiva devotees.

TEXT.

First Plate.

- 1 ऋविंकटेशाय नमः । यस्य संपर्कपुर्ख-
- 2 न नारीरत्नमभूत्सिला । यदुपास्यं सुमनसां
- 3 तद्वस्तुदंदमात्रये । [१*] यस्य दिग्दवत्नाद्याः पारिष-
- 4 द्या: परश्सतं । विव्वविव्वति भजतां विष्वक्सेनं

¹ Tinnevelly Manual, p. 41, and No. 3 on the Map.

² The vowel of the first syllable of the word Véngadam is long in the original Tamil, but shortened in the Kanarese derivative Venkata; see Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 308, note 16.

From two sets of ink-impressions, received from the Editor.

⁴ Read भिच्छिला.

- 5 तमाश्रये । [२*] जयित चीरजलधेर्जातं संवेचर्णं इ-
- 6 रे: । ग्रालंबनं चकीराणाममरायुष्करं सह: । [३*] पीनस्त-
- 7 स्य पुरूरवा बुधसुतस्तस्यायुरस्यालजसांज-
- [ज्ञी नहुषी ययातिर[भ]वत्तसाच पुरुस्तत: । तदंशे
- 9 भरतो बभूव ²न्द्रपतिस्तुत्वंततौ ग्रंतनु: (١) तत्त्र्यी विज-
- 10 योभिमन्य्रदभूत्तस्मात्परीचित्ततः । [8*] नंदस्तस्याष्ट-
- 11 मोभूलमजनि नवमस्तस्य राग्ज्ञबळिकच्मापत्त-
- 12 त्यप्तम[:*] श्रीपतिक्चिरभवद्राजपूर्वी नरेंद्र: । तस्यामी-
- 13 हिज्जळेंद्रो दशम यिह नृपो वीरहें माळिरायस्तार्ती-
- 14 ईकी मुरारी कतनतिषदभूत्तस्य मायापुरीय:। [५*] त-
- त्तुर्योजनि तातपित्रममहीपाली निजालीकनवस्त[ा]-
- 16 मित्रगणस्ततोजनि इरन् दुर्गाणि सप्ताहितात् । भन्है-
- 17 जेन स सीमिटेवन्पतिस्तस्यैव जन्ने सुतो (1) वीरो रा-
- 18 घवदेवराडिति तत: श्रीपिन्नमोभृतृप: । [६*] भारवी-
- 19 टिनगरीविभोरभृदस्य बुक्कधरणीपतिस्रुत:।
- 20 एन⁹ साळ्वनृसिंह्यराज्यमप्येधमानमह्सा¹⁰

Second Plate; First Side.

- 21 स्थिरीकृतं । [७*] स्तःकामिनी[:*] स्ततनुकांतिभिरा-
- चिपंतीं (I) बुक्कावनीपतिलको बुधकल्पण्रा
- खी । कल्याणिनीं कमलनाभ "इवास्टिकन्यां (I) बन्नांवि-
- कामुदवहद्वहुमान्यसीलां¹³ । [८*] सुतेव कलगांबुधे-
- 25 स्त्रिकाश्चर्ग (1) माधवात्कुमारमिव शंकरात्कुलम-
- हीस्तः कन्यका । जयंतममरप्रभीरपि श्रचीव बुका-
- धिपा[च्छ्र]तं¹³ जगित बन्नमालभत रामराजं सुतं । [८*] श्री-
- रामराजचितिपस्य तस्य चिंतामणेरर्धिकदंवका-
- नां । लच्चीरिवांभीरुहलीचनस्य लकांब्बिकामुख [म]हि-
- थलासीत् । [१०*] तस्याधिकसममवत्तनयस्तपोभि: श्री-

¹ Read सब्येचणं.

² म is corrected from ब्र

र Read शंतनुसन्धी.

⁴ Read राज्ञयळिकचापस°.

⁵ Read まで.

⁶ Read धौकी. 9 Read येन.

⁷ Read 明常。

⁵ Read भन्नप:

¹⁰ Read वृसिंह.

¹¹ Read Kaif

¹² Read शीलाम्.

¹³ seems to be a correction from U, which the engraver had written a second time by mistake. Read

- रंगराजनृपतिश्चित्रियंग्रदीप: । त्रासन् समुद्ध-31
- सित धामनी यस्य चित्रं नेत्राणि वैरिसुदूर्गां च निरं-32
- जनानि । [११*] सतीं तिक्मलांबकां³ चरितलीलयाक्ंध-
- तीप्रधामुपि तितिचया वसुमतीयशी रुंधतीं
- मांग्ररिव रोहिणीं हृदयहारिणीं सहुणैरमीदत
- [स]धर्मिणीमयमवाप्य वीराग्रणी: । [१२*] रचितनय-36
- विचारं रामराजं च धीरं वरतिरुमलरायं वें-37
- ⁶कटाटीचितीयं । अजनयत स ⁷येतानानुपूर्व्या 38
- मारा(I) निच्च तिरुमलदेव्यामेव राजा महोजा:8 । [१३*] सक-39
- लुभुवनकंटकानरातीन समिति निइत्य स राम-40

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- राजवीर: । भरतमनुभगीरवादिराजपवि-°
- तयशा: प्रश्रास चक्रजूर्था:10 । [१४*] निषु श्रीरंगच्या-42
- ¹¹परिबृ[ढ]कुमारेष्वधिरणं विजित्यारिद्यापान्¹² 43
- तिरुमलमहारायन्यतिः । महीजासांचाच्ये स-13
- मितरभिषित्ती निरु[प*]मे प्रशास्त्यवीं सर्वामिप 45
- तित्रव¹¹ मृतिष्विव हरि: । [१५*] ¹⁵यश्रविनामग्रसरस्य 46
- यस्य पद्टाभिषेके शति पार्थिवेदोः । दानांबपु-47
- रैरिभिषिचमाना देवीपदं भूमिरियं दधाति । [१६*]
- सामादयो विधिमुखादिव सत्यवाचः सामाद्यपा-49
- यनिवच्चा युव¹⁷ सांयुगीनात् । रामादयो दशरथादि-50
- व राजमील:18 तस्नादमेययशसस्तनया बभूव: । [१७*] रा-51
- जा ततीभूद्रधनाथनामा श्रीरंगराय[:*] श्रितपारि-52
- जात: । श्रीरामराज[:*] ¹⁹शिशुरांशुरुव्या(:) विख्य[1*]तिमान
- विंकटदेवरायः । [१८*] श्रीरंगरायसाइनेषु तेषु पारं

¹ Read धासनि.

² Read सुदृशां.

Read तिरुमलास्विकां.

⁴ Read प्रधामपि.

⁵ The whole of this páda seems to have been erased and written afresh; and the श्री of यशी is written above the line.

⁶ Read °टाद्रि.

⁷ Read एता^o.

⁸ Read महीजा:.

PRead प्रथि. 10 Read °मूर्व्या:.

¹¹ The द of परिश्वद seems to be an imperfect correction from ड.

¹² Read चापांसिक⁰.

¹³ The u of T runs into the i of T at the end of the next line. 14 Read तिस्ष.

¹⁵ Read यशस्ति°.

¹⁶ Read सति.

¹⁷ Read **दव**.

¹⁸ Read मीलेसला⁰.

¹⁹ Read शिशिरांश.

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55 गती नीतिपय:पयीधे: । अष्टासु दिचु प्रथितसा ले[भे]
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- 56 पट्टाभिषेकं पेनुगोंडराज्ये । [१८*] अथ श्रीवेंकटपनि-1
- 57 देवरायो नयोज्वतः । अवनीमशिषत्कीर्त्या दि[शी] द-
- 58 म विभोभयन् । [२०*] तज्जायससुरद्मलज्जावइच-³
- 59 रितरामराजविभी: । जातस्तिरुमलराज[:*] खात[:*]
- 60 श्रीरंगरायीपि । [२१*] तयो[:*] श्रीरंगरायस्य तन[या] वि-

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- 61 नयाधिका: । अजायंत दयावंत[:*] शृतवंती '
- 62 यग्रस्तिन: । [२२*] श्रीरंगरायन् पतेस्तनयेषु तेषु
- 63 पारं गिरामधिगतः कविषुंगवानां । रत्नेषु की-
- 64 स्तुम द्रवांबुधिसंभवेषु श्रीरामरायटपितसुचि-
- 65 [रं] व्यलासीत् ॥ [२३*] पूर्वं 'विश्वतरामराजन्यते: श्रीराम-
- 66 भद्राक्तते: (1) कल्याणीदयशालिनस्तनुभवा[:*] पंच प्रपंचा-
- 67 वने । दचा नीतिपथानुगास्त्रमभवन् चीरापगाकामि-
- 68 नी (1) गीर्वाणालय[भूर] हा दव बुधश्रेणीष्टदानी सुका: । [२४*] श्रा-
- 69 [ज्ञ]ाविजितसुयीवा: (i) प्राज्ञावनक्रताग्रहा: 16 [२५*] विख्यातचर्ये-
- 70 षु तृपेषु तेषु श्री[रं]गराजिक्शिशिरांश्ररुर्थाः । विध्व-
- 71 चये 'विश्वतकी तिरासीत् सौरेषु शालेष्विव पारि-
- 72 जात: । [२६*] यद्गेरीघनभांक्तियवणतो भीत्या महत्या
- 73 रखीं (1) प्रत्यधिचितिपैः पलायनपरैः सुक्ता ल्[ठं]-
- 74 त[:*] समात । कांताराभरणीभवंति कलमच्चत्रध्व-
- 75 10[जं]कांचिता(।)न्युकार्जत्यधिभूपदानि तदनुत्रज्ञा-11
- 76 भि]या किं इया: । [२७*] श्रीरंगराजस्य तपीविशेषै: [सं]-
- 77 12तोषणक्रोषगिरीखरस्य । कारुप्यभूका कम[नी]-
- 78 यशोभी पुत्रावद्वतां पुरुद्धतभोगी । [२८*] पेदवेंक[टें]-
- 79 द्रिपनवेंकटाधिराङितिनामकी प्रकृतिपालनी-
- 80 सुकी । खरद्रषणप्रहतिदिचिणाबुभी ददतः प्रमी-

[ा] Read पति.

² Read नयीज्ज्वल:.

³ Read इम.

Read युतवन्ती.

⁵ Read विश्वतः

⁶ The inscription omits the following half verse: - सर्वे ते विश्वधयाद्या गुणै कविरविग्रहा: ॥

⁷ Read विश्वत.

⁸ Read TU.

⁹ Read प्रेम्ता.

¹⁰ Read onigifanio.

n Read वज्ञा.

¹² Read oतीविच:.

¹⁸ Read प्तावभूतां.

¹⁴ Read दचिणावभौ.

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- 81 दिमव रामलक्सणी । [२८*] श्रीशाली पेदवेंकटें-
- 82 द्रमुपतिर्जेष्टी वयोभिस्तयो: (1) श्रीर्येदार्यगभी-
- 83 'रयाधृतिकला(:)पूर्वेंच सर्वेर्ग्णै: । यस्यारातिन्र-
- 84 पालभेदनकलायाचासु सेनारजःपूर्वभूर्जलिध-
- 85 भेवेदिति हरिचित्तेच धत्ते स्थिति । [३०*] 'श्रींगारराच्या[स्य]-
- 86 ददिव्यमूर्त्या(:) वंगारमांबारमया समेत: । विभात्य-
- 87 सी वेंकटभूमिपाल: शक्तेव शक्तो समयेव शीरि: । [३१*] स्री-
- 88 रंगराजेंद्रकुमारकेस्मिन् वीरोत्तमे वेंकटदेवरा-
- 89 ये । पष्टाभिषिक्ते पेनुगींडराज्ये तदाभिषिक्ता[:*] सुधियो-
- 90 पि हेना । [३२*] यथा रघ्कुलीइह[:*] खयमरंधतीजानिन[ा]
- 91 स्वगीत्रगुरुणा सुधीतिलकतातयार्येण य: । यथावि-
- 92 धि यशस्त्रिना विरचिताभिषेत[:*] चण[ा*] हिभिद्य यवना-
- 93 प्ररान्विजयते प्रशासनाहीं । [३३*] [°]वारासिगांभीर्यविशे-
- 94 षधुर्यचौरासिदुर्गैकविभाळवर्यः । पराष्टदिग्रा[य]-
- 95 मन:प्रकामभयंकर: ¹⁰शार्ङ्घरांतरंग: । [३४*] सार्वी]-
- 96 ररमया समुज्ञसन् श्रारवीटिपुरहारनायक: [1]
- 97 क्वंडली खरमहाभुज[:*] अयन् मंडली कथरणीवराह-
- 98 तां । [३५*] आचेयगीचजानामग्रसरी भूभुजासुदारय-
- 99 शा: ।12 [३६*] सीयं नीतिजितादिभूपतितितसुत्रामशाखी
- 100 सुधी(1)सार्थानां भुजतेजसा खवशयन् कर्नाट[ग्रिं]-13
- 101 हासनं । या सेतोरिप चाहिमादि विमतान संहृ त्यो

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- 102 ग्रासन्प्रदा (1) सर्वोवीं प्रचकास्ति वेंकटपतिश्री-
- 103 देवरायायणी: ॥ [३७*] 15रितुबाणकळंबेंद्रगणिते शक-

¹ Read नृपतिर्व्धेष्ठी.

² In the original, the r of ryai is doubled; read शीयौदार्थ.

³ Read Can.

^{&#}x27; Read इरिश्वित्तेख.

⁵ Read शहार.

⁶ Read श्रद्धेव.

⁷ Read हैसा.

⁸ Read वाराधि.

⁹ The व of वर्ध: is imperfectly executed and looks almost like दा.

¹⁰ Read आई.

¹¹ Read समझसन्नारवीटि.

¹² Just as the Kallakursi grant, the inscription omits the following half verse which is found in the Kondyata and Vilapaka grants:— ऋतिविद्तुरगधरी मतिगुरुरारहमगधमान्यपद:॥.

¹³ Read कर्णाटिसं°.

¹⁴ The र and च of ेरिप चा seem to be corrected from other letters.

¹⁵ Read Tg.

- 104 वसरे । भावाभिदानके वर्षे मासि वैशाखनामनि । [३८*] पचे
- 105 वळचे पुरुषचें पौर्नमाखां महातिथी । स्रीवेंकटेश-
- 106 पादालसंत्रिधी श्रेयसात्रिधी । [३८*] नानाशाखािम[ध]ागो-
- 107 चस्चिभ्य: भास्त्रवित्तया । विख्यातेभ्यो दिजेंद्रेभ्यो वेद-
- 108 विद्वा विशेषत: ॥ [४०*] श्रीमित्तर्वेडिराज्यस्यं मुक्किनाड् इति
- 109 मृतं । श्रीमदीरवनत्त्रभाघाणि [द्र*]ति शोभितं । [४१*] तांम्प्रपनींम-'
- 110 हानदा(:) दिचणस्यां दिसि' स्थितं । कार्कुर्चिमहाग्रामात्
- 111 प्राचां दिशि च संस्थितं । [४२*] [भ्र] तमंगलसीमा[या] दचिणाशामु-
- 112 पाञ्चितं । श्रीशेरवंक्यचादेविग्रामात्पश्चिमत[:*] स्थितं । [४३*] पर्व-
- 113 तोदब्रहामार्गादुत्तराश्रामुपात्रितं । कारकूर्चाः पंचदः
- 114 प्रकुखायां चेत्रयुग्मगं । [88*] [ग्र]ामं च सर्वसस्याद्यं दिषष्टिग-
- 115 णसयुतं⁷ । °मुद्दिक्रणापुरमिति प्रतिनाम्ना सुश्रोभितं [॥ ४५*]
- 116 कूनियुरिति विख्यातं ग्रहारामोपशोभितं । सर्वमा-
- 117 न्यं चतुस्त्रीमासहितं च समंततः । [४६*] निधिनिचेषपा-
- 118 घाणसिद्धसाध्यजलान्वितं । अचिखागामिसंयुत्तं गः
- 119 एभीज्यं सभूतहं । [४७*] पुत्रपीत्रादिविभीज्यं क्रमादाचंद्रता
- 120 रकं । [४८*] 'व्यासीत्नास्यपसंततेर्घनतपस्रंतुष्टविश्वेश्वरस्त्रै-
- 121 रानुग्रहभाजनाइण्निधेः श्रीनागपृथ्वीपतेः । विद्वसं-
- 122 डलवांच्छितार्थकतिमूर्धन्यादयन्यां महावीराणां धु-
- 123 रि विश्वनाथधरणीसंक्रंदनो मानित: । [४८*] तस्मादजाय-
- 124 त धनेशसमानधर्मा धर्मानुशासितधरातलजीव-
- 125 लोक: । माख्यानुरूपविजितारितृपालमीकिर्विख्या-

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- 126 तिमान् जगित 'व्काण्यनायकेंद्र: । [५०*] तस्याजिनष्ट
- 127 ततकोर्तिमङ्खमेत: (١) श्रीवीरपेंद्रधरणीतल[श्री]-
- 128 तभानु: । श्रा[मो]दयन् अवनयस्य तथा बुधानामानं-
- 129 बनं ग्रिथिलितारिमनीविनोदः । [५१*] तस्योदभूदिखपना-
- 130 यकेंद्र: (1) प्रतीपभूपालतमसुधांग्र: । श्रीमुद्दुक्षण्प-

· Read तासपणीं.

ं e Read दिशि.

⁵ Read कार्क्चां:

7 Read सयतम्.

⁶ Read महत्रणा⁰.

⁹ Read **ेदिभिभीं**ज्यं.

¹ Read भावाभिधानके.

² Read पौर्णमास्यां.

⁸ Read शितम.

¹⁰ Read त्रासीत्काग्यप.

[॥] Read ^८माञ्जगतिः

¹² To the of of so both ri and i are attached in the original.

¹⁵ Read श्रामीदनं or **श्रामीदक:.**

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131 भुरस्य जन्ने प्रतापवान् मेरूपमानधैर्य: । [५२*] तस्यास्तां
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- ेमुइवीरप्रभृतिक्मलभूपालकी नंदनी ही (i) मीनाच्ची-132
- 133 संदरेयस्थिरतरकरुणापूरधारानिधानी । श्राकैला-
- साद्रिसेतुप्रधितनिजयशोज्ञासमानी² यदीयाप्याचा रा-
- न्नां किरीटस्फ्**रितमणिमयालं**कतिर्माननीया । [५३*] श्रय
- 136 तिक्मलभूपी मंत्रिमुख्यैरनेकै: (1) सकुतुक्मभिषिक्त-
- स्मव²राज्याधिपत्ये [।*] समधिकक्वपयासी सुंदरेसस्य³ 137
- चब्युा ⁴धरणिवसमग्रेषं राजते सृतत्तेंद्र: । [५४*] येतस्य⁵ पर-138
- द्वीरभुजविक्रमणालिनः । भोगे भूलोकसुत्राम्यस्थागे 139
- भूकल्पशाखिन: । [५५*] करींद्रारोहमाचेण गिरींद्रारूटविडि-140
- 141 ष: । लंघित नगरं जेत्ं 'लंघितार्नववैरिण: । [५६*] कम्याम-
- 142 'स्वर्भ्भूदानै: कालचेपं मितन्वित: । जयंतचंद्रकंदर्प-
- 143 जयसीदर्थशालिनः । [५०*] श्रीमत्तिरमलेंद्रस्य विग्जाप्तिस-10
- 144 नुपालयन् । श्रीवीरवेंकटपतिमहारायमहीपति[: ।] [५ = *]
- [स] हिरखपयोधारापूर्वकं दत्तवान् मुदा ॥ व्यक्ति-145
- 146 मंतीत्र हिख्यंते 11 विप्रा वेदांत्तपारगा: । [५८ *] वेंकटाद्रीं[ह्व]- 12
- 147 तनयी भारदाजी च याजुष: । चीचं स लब्धवानि[कां]

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- 148 रष्ठनाथाभियो 13 मखी । $\left[{{{\hat \epsilon }}\,{{\hat o}}^*} \right]$ लच्कीनृसिद्ययन्तें- 14
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- 154 कसभापतिरतीव मेधावी । अनौसिककुलप्रभृतोग्टल्ल[1*]-
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10 Read विज्ञप्ति°.

¹ Read धरणितल°.

i Read प्रभ.

² Read यशीभासमानी.

⁵ Read एतस्य.

⁵ Read नितन्ततः.

¹¹ Read जिख्यने.

¹⁴ Read रसिंड.

¹⁸ Read े सिधी. 16 Read °स्तिमारसा°.

¹⁷ Read सदाशिव.

¹⁹ To the \(\) of \(\) both \(ri \) and \(i \) are attached in the original.

^{&#}x27; Read सन्दरेशस्य.

⁶ Read खड़ितार्णव.

⁹ Read सौन्दर्य.

¹² Read Eleg.

¹⁵ Read इति°.

¹⁸ Read काश्चिक.

²⁰ Read कीशिका?

- 156 दुमाबिरं धरातसे रिचा दुरंधर: स बंधुमान् । अनं-
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¹ Read ऋचा धुरंधर:.

⁴ Read [©]टाद्रिवर:

⁷ Read ^०न्वयी.

¹⁰ Read ⁰गुद्धात्माम**े.**

¹³ Read कांग्यपान्वयभूषीय°.

¹⁶ Read भ्व°. 19 Read नरसिंहा°.

² Read भइ.

⁶ Read ऋग्वेद°.

⁸ Read ेप्राचे.

¹¹ Read कौशिका°.

¹⁴ Read सिड्यी

¹⁷ Read काश्यपे.

³ Read काश्यपा^o.

⁶ Bead काश्यपा⁰.

⁹ Read ऋग्वेद^०.

¹² Read ⁰ बहीत.

³⁵ Read समीयवान्.

¹⁸ Read समेथिवान.

- 182 बल: । [4 *] 'कास्य[पा*] न्वयजी बृंदावननाथसुतीत्तम: । ऋस्का-
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- 188 ग्रास्नींद्र: चेत्रमर्थं समग्र्ते । [८४*] ग्रापस्तंबी च 'गौविंददीचि-
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- (मान्)तिषमलभद्दीप जातो हरितसे कुले । नागाभद्रसुत[:*]
- चेत्रसेकं लब्धा विजंसते । [८०*] कौंडिन्यवंशसंभूतः

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4 Read श्रेष्टी.

⁵ Read ब्रह्मा⁰.

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- 7 Read शास्त्रीन्द्र:.
- 8 Read गीविन्द.

9 Read oत: कींग्रिका°

- 10 Read क्रम⁰.
- 11 Read क्लिमा?.
- 13 Read orisal.

- 18 Read समियिवान.

- 14 Read की शिकान्वयवासिंडः।°.
- 15 Read °सम्बी.
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- 17 Read इति°.
- 18 Read शास्त्री.
- 19 Read eमध कम्. 20 Read आपस्तस्वी.

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² Read ऋकदाखी.

³ Read नद्रनार.

²¹ The three letters धनीच of भनेग्रानि are written at the top of the plate, and the necessary insertion is indicated by a faint caret mide above 3.

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- 207 यगोती रुम्बेदी स्रीमानीखरनंदन: । स्रेत्रं कळपरान्पादत्रयं
- 208 [प्रा]प्य समिधते । [८७*] विखामित्रकुले जाती क्रक्त्राखी चायपी म-
- 209 हान् । अनंतक्षणतनयो वृत्तिमर्धामहासृते । [८८*] अपेरीय्यतिरुव-
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- 214 दायते । [१०१*] गिरियणक्रमारीयं श्रीवेंकटपतिर्महान् । श्रीव-
- 215 सगीवी रुक्छाखी इत्तिमेकां प्रपेदिवान् । [१०२*] लब्धारुणगिर:
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- 220 यणसतीश्रते । रामाभद्दवरः चेत्रमेकं याजुषिकोत्तमः ।
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3 Read जात ऋकशाखी.

- 231 रभष्टजः । सूर्यनारायणस्रीयं वृत्तिमेकां समञ्जते । [११२*]
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[!] Read बीच ऋग्वेदी.

⁴ Read श्रीमाश्रीक.

⁷ Read सक्छाची.

⁵ Read ⁰न्वयी.

^{*} Read पेरिय.

⁶ Read वंश्य स्वकाखी. 9 Read प्रतिगद्धा.

¹⁰ Read समियिवान.

⁸ Read की व्हिन्ध.

¹³ Bead चीमाचैमिनि.

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- न्वयभूरधी वृत्तिमासाद्य वर्धते । [११३*] चिदंबरावधानी च
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- तत्ति हिन् स्तितत्रीमद्दामनां कितसीमकं । स्थितं दिचणवाहि-
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- 254 सनवाद्मयं । [१२५*] त्रीवीरणाचार्यवरेखपौतो वरा-
- चतार्थी गणपार्थपुत: । सूत्रा[ा*]लिखद्वेंकट-255
- रायमीले: पद्यानि इद्यान्यथ शासनस्य । [१२६*] टान-256
- पालनयोर्भध्ये 10दानात्त्रयोनुपालनं । दाना(।)त्खर्ग-257
- मवाप्रोति पालनादच्युतं पदं [॥ १२७*] स्वदत्ता[द्*]हिग्रणं प्रकृषं 258
- परदत्तानुपालनं [1*] परदत्तापद्वारेण खदतं निष्पलं11 259

¹ Read atc.

⁴ Read एते.

⁶ Read का ब कुर्चा.

⁹ Read पौची.

³ Read बीशिकानववानापसम्बी हत्या⁰.

Read TAGITAL. 5 The five letters श्रीजानीटन are written on an erasure. Read कवीटक

⁷ Read तत्तिहच स्थित.

⁸ Read रायीका.

¹⁰ Read दानाक्यो.

[&]quot; Read forme.

- 260 भवेत् । [१२८*] खदत्तां परदत्तां या यो इरेत वसुंधरां । षष्टिवेर्ष-1
- 261 [स]इस्राणि विष्टा[यां*] जायते क्रिमि: । [१२८*] येकीव भगिनी लोके सवैषांमेव
- 262 भूबुजां । न भीज्या न करबाह्म[\mathfrak{l}^*] विप्रदत्ता वसुंधरा । [१३० *] सामा[न्यो]-
- 263 यं धर्मसेतुं बुपाणां काले काले पालनीयो भविद्धः । सर्वान-
- 264 तान भाविन: पार्थिवेंदान् (1) भूयी भूयी याचते रामचं-
- 265 द: n [१३१*]
- 266 श्रीवंकटेश³ [॥*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Obeisance to the blessed Venkatêśa!

- (Verse 1.) I take refuge to that pair of objects which is to be worshipped by the gods, (and) at whose meritorious touch a stone became the best of women.⁹
- (V. 2.) I take refuge to that Vishvaksêna whose more than hundred attendants, the elephant-headed (Gaṇêśa) etc., remove the obstacles (in the way) of (his) devotees.¹⁰
- (V. 3.) Victorious is the luminary (viz. the Moon) which rose from the milk-sea, (which is) the left eye of Hari (Vishnu), (which is) the support of the chakôra (birds), (and) which sustains the life of the gods.
- (V. 4.) The grandson of him (viz. the Moon) (was) Budha's son Purûravas; his (son was) Âyus; his son was Nahusha; from him was born Yayâti; (and) from him Pûru. In his race was born king Bharata; in his lineage Śamtanu; the fourth from him was Vijaya; from him was born Abhimanyu; (and) from him Parîkshit.
- (V. 5.) The eighth (in descent) from him was Nanda; the ninth from this king was king Chalikka; the seventh from him was Narêndra (whose name was) preceded by Râja (i.e. Râjanarêndra), (and) who was devoted to Śrîpati (Vishņu); the tenth from him in this (world) was king Bijjalêndra; (and) the third from him was Vîra-Hemmâlirâya, the lord of Mâyâpurî, who prostrated himself before Murâri (Vishņu).
- (V. 6.) The fourth from him was king Tâta-Pinnama, at whose sight the crowd of enemies trembled; from him was born that king Sômidêva who took from the enemy seven forts in a

¹ Read षष्टिं वर्ष.

³ Read विष्ठायां.

Read एकेंब.

⁴ Read सर्वेषामेन.

Bead सुभुजाम्

⁸ Read चेतुर्गपाचां.

⁷ Read पार्थिनेप्राण. 8 In Telugu characters.

The two objects referred to in this verse are the two feet of Rama. It is said of him that, while he was on his way to Janaka's town with his brother Lakshmana and his preceptor Viśvamitra, he trod upon a stone, which immediately turned into the body of a woman. This was Ahalya who had formerly been cursed by her husband, Gantama, for her misconduct, to remain a stone until the time when Rama should tread upon it; see the Padmapurana, Mahanataka, Janakiparinaya, and Champuramayana. The two white lines which form part of the Vaishnava sectarian mark, are also intended for the feet of Rama and are consequently represented in pictures along with marks of royalty and high birth, such as pitchers, chauris, flags, etc. It is but natural that an inscription of a Vaishnava king should begin with an invocation of the feet of Rama, as it is even now usual to insert wood-cuts of Rama's feet at the beginning of Vaishnava books.

¹⁰ Among Vaishnavas the god Vishvaksêna is worshipped at the beginning of every ceremony, just as among the Saivas the god Ganêsa, who is here represented as one of Vishvaksêna's attendants.

single day; his heroic son was king Râghavadêva; (and) from him was born the glorious king Pinnama.

- (V. 7.) The son of this lord of the city of Aravîți was king Bukka, whose power was (continually) rising, (and) who firmly established even the kingdom of Saluva-Nrisimha.
- (V. 8.) Just as Vishņu (married) Lakshmî,—Bukka, the ornament of kings (and) the kaipa tree to scholars, married the prosperous Ballâmbikâ, who surpassed the celestial nymphs by her personal beauty, (and) whose virtue was highly respected.
- (V. 9.) As Lakshmî (bore) Kâma from Mâdhava, as Pârvatî (bore) Kumâra from Śamkara, and as Śachî (bore) Jayanta from Indra, so did Ballamâ bear a son, Râmarâja, who was renowned in the world, from the lord Bukka.
- (V. 10.) As Lakshmî to Vishņu, so to this glorious king Râmarâja, who fulfilled the desires of all supplicants, Lakâmbikâ was the queen.
- (V. 11.) In consequence of (his) great austerities, there was born to him a son, king **Śrîrangarāja**, the light of the **race** of the **Moon**, at whose brilliant splendour— O wonder!— the eyes even of the wives of (his) enemies became bright.
- (V. 12.) Having wedded as (his) legal wife the virtuous Tirumalâmbikâ, who resembled Arundhatî in good conduct, who at the same time surpassed the fame of the earth in patience, (and) who captivated (all) hearts by (her) good qualities,—that foremost among heroes felt as happy as the Moon (by the possession of) Rôhinî.²
- (V. 13.) This powerful king begat by that Tirumaladêvî the following (three) sons in succession,—the wise Râmarâja, who was conversant with politics; the excellent Tirumalarâya; (and) king Venkaṭâdri.
- (V. 14.) Having killed in battle all dangerous enemies in the world, this heroic Râmarâja, who resembled by his great fame Bharata, Manu, Bhagîratha and other kings, ruled the circle of the earth.
- (V. 15.) Among the three sons of king Srîranga, the wise (and) powerful king Tirumalamahârâya, as Hari among the trinity, having conquered hostile kings in battle (and) having been anointed to the matchless sovereignty, ruled the whole earth.
- (V. 16.) At the coronation of this moon among kings (and) foremost among the famous, this earth, being sprinkled with floods of water (poured out) at donations, occupied (as it were) the place of queen.³
- (V. 17.) Just as the Sâman and the other (three Vêdas were produced) from the month of the Creator, as peace and the other (three) expedients from the brave Satyavâch (?), (and) as Râma and (his three brothers) from Daśaratha,—(thus) from that excellent king were born (four) sons of great fame:—
- (V. 18.) From him were born a king called Raghunâtha; Śrîrangarâya, (who was) a pārijāta (tree) to supplicants; the glorious Râmarâja, the moon of the earth; (and) the ramous Venkaṭadêvarâya.
- (V. 19.) Among these brothers, Srîrangarâya, who had crossed the milk-ocean of policy (and) who was renowned in the eight regions, was crowned to the kingdom of Penugonda.
- (V. 20.) After (him) the wise (and) glorious Venkatapatidevaraya ruled the earth, illumining the ten regions by (his) fame.

i.e. he killed his enemies. As widows are not permitted to use collyrium, the eyes of the relicts of his deceased enemies had a bright appearance, though filled with tears. Hence the wonder.

² In this verse a virôdhâbhása alamkára, which does not admit of a literal translation, is hinted in the antithetic words Arundhatí and rundhatím.

² It is usual at a coronation ceremony to bathe both the king and the queen with water brought from various iterhas.

- (V. 21.) To his elder brother, the lord Râmarâja, whose deeds put to shame the celestial trees, were born Tirumalarâja and the famous Śrîraṅgarâya.
- (V. 22.) Of these two, Śrirangarâya begat sons who possessed great modesty, were full of compassion, learned (and) famous.
- (V. 23.) Among these sons of king Śrîrangarâya, the glorious king Râmarâya, who was beyond the reach of the eloquence of the best poets, shone for a very long time, as the kaustubha among the gems produced from the sea.
- (V. 24.) Formerly, from the famous king Râmarâja, who resembled the holy Râmabhadra, were born,—as the (five) celestial trees from the milk-ocean,—five sons who were eager to gratify the desires of all scholars, who followed the path of policy, who were able to protect the world, (and) who possessed rising prosperity.
- (V. 25.) [All these] excelled Sugriva in (the effectiveness of their) commands, were stubborn (only) in pleasing wise men, [were to be respected by the learned on account of (their) virtues, (and) had beautiful forms].
- (V. 26.) Among these kings of famous deeds, Śrîrangarāja, a moon on earth, was celebrated in the three worlds, as the pārijāta tree among the celestial trees.
- (V. 27.) The horses which are abandoned in battle by hostile kings who have taken to flight in great terror on hearing the loud roar of his drums, are wallowing (on the ground) through fatigue. Is it through fear of their (the kings') being pursued that (these horses) are (thus) wiping away the foot-prints of (their) masters, which bear the (royal) marks of pitchers, parasols and flags, (and) which (now) adorn (only) the jungle?
- (V. 28.) Through the great mercy of the lord of Seshagiri, who was pleased with the great austerities of Śrirangaraja, there were born to (him) two beautiful sons who were as happy as Indra.
- (V. 29.) Fond of protecting (their) subjects, (and) expert in slaying the cruel (khara) and the wicked (dûshana), (these) two (princes), named Peda-Venkatêndra and the lord Pina-Venkata, gave delight (to the world), as Râma and Lakshmana (who slew the demons Khara and Dûshana).
- (V. 30.) Of these two, the elder by years, prowess, liberality, profundity, firmness, scholarship and all other virtues (was) the glorious king Peda-Venkatêndra, in whose heart Hari (Vishnu) takes up (his) abode (because he is afraid) that (his proper abode) the ocean might become land by the clouds of the dust of (his) army during his expeditions (in which he practises) the art of destroying hostile kings.
- (V. 31.) United with (his) queen Bangaramamba, whose heavenly form is the abode of the kingdom of love, this king Venkata shines like Śakra (Indra) with Śachî, (and) like Śauri (Vishnu) with Rama (Lakshmi).
- (V. 32.) When this son of king Śrirangarāja,— Venkaṭadêvarāya, the best of heroes,—was anointed to the kingdom of Penugoṇḍa, then were also the learned anointed (i.s. abundantly presented) with gold.
- (V. 33.) Having been anointed according to the rule by his family preceptor, the famous Tâtayârya, the ornament of the learned, just as (Râma) the descendant of the race of Raghu himself by (Vasishṭha) the husband of Arundhatî, (and) having destroyed in an instant the Yavanas, (just as Râma) the demons, he rules the earth victoriously.

¹ This is another name of Tirumalai, on which see page 238 above, note 1. The synonym Venkaṭaśaila occurs in verse 34 of the Kallakurśi grant.

² For the word asara in the sense of 'demon' see the Amarakosa, i. 1, 62: — ऋव्यारक्रव्याही ऽसप आधार:.

- (V. 34.) He who resembles the ocean in great profundity; the only excellent conqueror of the fort (durga) of Chaurâsi; he who terrifies vehemently the hearts of the hostile kings of the eight directions; the favourite of Śârngadhara (Vishnu);
- (V. 35.) He who is sporting with the powerful goddess of heroes; the lord (or, the central gem) of the necklace (which is) the town of Araviți; he whose arm is as strong as (Śêsha) the lord of serpents; he who is obtaining the title Mandalikadharanivarâha! (i.e. the boar on earth among provincial chiefs);
 - (V. 36.) The foremost of the kings born from the Atrêya gôtra; he whose fame is great;
- (V. 37.) Bringing the throne of **Karnāta** into his power by the strength of (his) arm, (and) joyfully ruling the whole earth after (he) has destroyed (all) enemies from (Râma's) bridge up to the snowy mountain,— this glorious prince, **Venkaṭapati**, the foremost among kings, who surpasses all ancient kings in wisdom, (and) who is Sutrâman's (Indra's) tree to (i.e. fulfils the desires of) the crowds of wise men, is resplendent.
- (V. 38.) In the Saka year reckoned by the seasons (6), the arrows (5), the arrows (5), and the moon (1), (i.e. 1556), in the (cyclic) year called Bhava, in the month named Vaisakha,—
- (V. 39.) In the bright fortnight, under an auspicious star, on the sacred full-moon tithi, in the blissful presence of the lotus-feet of the blessed Venkațêśa,—
- (V. 40.) (The king gave)³ to excellent Brâhmanas of various śākhās, names, gôtras and sûtras, who were celebrated for learning in the \tilde{S} āstras (and) deeply versed in the Vêdas,—
- (Vv. 45-48.) A village, famed by the name Kûniyûr, rich in all grain, consisting of sixty-two shares (gana), adorned by the surname Muddukrishnâpuram, adorned with houses and gardens, free of taxes (sarvamánya), up to the four boundaries all round, accompanied by treasures, deposits, stones, actuals, outstandings and water, with the akshini and the ayamin, to be enjoyed in shares (gana), with the trees, to be successively enjoyed by the (donees') sons, grandsons, etc., as long as the moon and stars (exist),—
- (V. 41.) Situated in the prosperous Tirvadi-râjya, in Mulli-nâdu, in the prosperous Vîravanallûru-mâghâṇi,—
- (V. 42.) Situated to the south of the great river Tâmraparnî, and to the east of the great village Kârukurchi,—
- (V. 43.) To the south of the boundary of Bhrantamangala, to the west of the prosperous village of Sêravanmahâdêvi,—
- (V. 44.) (And) to the north of a high road (which is) to the north of a hill,—comprising (?) two fields (kshêtra) on the fifteenth (?) canal at Kârukurchi.
- (V. 49.) (The son) of the glorious prince Nâga,—who was a descendant of the Kâśyapa (gôtra), the object of the spontaneous favour of (the god) Viśvêśvara who was pleased by (his) severe austerities, a treasury of virtues, (and) the best of those who grant the object of (their) desires to the crowd of scholars,—was Viśvanâtha, a Samkrandana (Indra) on earth, who was honoured on earth as the foremost of great heroes.
- (V. 50.) From him was born a chief of Nâyakas, Kṛishṇapa, who was renowned in the world, who seized the diadems of hostile kings in conformity with (his) name,3 who governed the inhabitants of the earth with justice, (and) whose (liberal) disposition resembled that of (Kubêra) the lord of wealth.
- (V.51.) To him was born a moon on earth, the glorious prince Vîrapa, who was surrounded by the splendour of spreading fame, who delighted the circle of the earth (or the night-letus),

¹ The title Dharantvaraha had been previously borne by Immadi-Nrisimha (of Vijayanagara); see South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 137, No. 116.

The name of the king and the verb follow in verse 58 f.

i.s. who was a worthy namesake of the ancient Krishna.

who was the support of scholars (or of gods), (and) who destroyed the inward pleasure of (his) enemies (or of bees).1

- (V. 52.) To him was born a chief of Nâyakas, Viśvapa, a moon to the darkness (which were) hostile kings. To him was born the brave (and) glorious lord Muddukrishna, who resembled (the mountain) Mêru in firmness.
- (V. 53.) He had two sons, the lord Mudduvîra and prince Tirumala, who were the receptacles of the continuous stream of the deep compassion of (the goddess) Mînâkshî and (the god) Sundarêsa,² who were resplendent with their fame which spread from the Kailâsa mountain to (Râma's) bridge, and whose respected command (resembled) an ornament of splendid jewels in the diadems of kings.
- (V. 54.) Then, having been eagerly anointed to the sovereignty over the whole kingdom by many chiefs of ministers, (and) having obtained the whole surface of the earth through the great compassion of (the god) Sundarêsa, prince Tirumala shines (like) an Indra on earth.
- (Vv. 55-59.) Sanctioning the request of this glorious prince Tirumala,—the strength of whose arm was hard to be resisted by the enemies, who was a Sutrâman (Indra) on earth in happiness, who was a kalpa tree on earth in liberality, whose enemies ascended high mountains as soon as he ascended (his) mighty elephant, who surpassed the enemy of the ocean (i.e. the submarine fire) in attacking a town for conquest, who spent the time in gifts of brides, food, gold and land, (and) whose beauty surpassed that of Jayanta, the Moon, and Cupid,—the glorious king Vîra-Venkatapatimahârâya joyfully made (the above) grant with libations of water (poured) over gold.³ (The names of) the Brâhmaṇas, deeply versed in the Vêdas, who received shares of this (grant), are written (here):—

Donee's name.				Relation.			Śdkh d .		Gôtra.	Sútra.	Number of shares.
Raghunâtha .			•	Son of	Venkaţâdri .	•	Yajus		Bhâradvâja.		1
Lakshmînarahari				"	Lakshmînrisimha				Śrivatsa .		11
Venkaţâdri .				25	Timmarasa .		Yajus		Haritasa4 .		1
Îśvara				"	Sadásiva .				Âtrêya .	Âśvalâyana	ž
Kanakasabhâpati	i			,,	Śrîrangarāja .		Yajus		Kauśika .		2
Ayyabhatta .				17	Anantabhatta		Ŗich		Do	***	5‡

(Vv. 60-118.) List of donees.

हिरस्थार्भगर्भस्थं हम वीजं विभावसी:। सननपुर्श्यफलदमतक्र्यानिं प्रयस्क में ॥

Accordingly, during the performance of the sixteen great danas, people who can afford it, keep a piece of gold generally a fanam, in their hand, pour water over it into the donee's hand, and then offer the piece as dakshind. In the case of poor people, a silver or copper coin takes the place of the gold piece.

¹ The letters ra and la or la are interchangeable in such alamkéras; see the commentary on Subandhu's Vásavadattá, verse 1:— उदीचानां वस्योरभेदी रखसीरभेदस.

² These are the names of the god at the Madhura temple and of his consort.

³ The Hindú Śastras consider a charity inefficient, if not accompanied by a dakshinā; see the Bhagaradgttā, xvii. 13, and the Chandakauśika. Gold is invariably chosen for this purpose; for at every gift the following anushtubh verse is recited:—

⁴ [This erroneous form is developed from the expression Harita-sagótra, ⁴ a member of the gótra of the Haritas. Similar cases of popular etymology are sura, sepatna, Pramódúta and Pramádicha (South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 109, note 2). and gurata (ibid. Vol. II. p. 251, note 3).— E. H.]

List of donees-continued.

Donee's name.			Relation.	Śákhá.	Gšira.	Sútra.	Number of shares.
Mallubhatta .		Son of	Tirumala	***	Kâśyapa .	Âpastamba .	1
Venkatadri .		,,	Mârubhațța	Yajus .	Bhāradvāja.	***	1
Yallappa		,,,	Aruņādri	Rich .	Do	***	ŧ
Bhrantîśvara .		,,	Appalaya	Yajus .	Kâśyapa .	•••	¥
Nagarasa		, ,,	Venkațapati		Bhâradvāja.	Âśvaláyana .	1
Alagâdri		39	Raghupati	Yajus .	Do	***	1
Ghatalaya .		,,,	Gôvinda	Ŗieh .	Śilvatsa .	100	3
Narahari		,,	Śrînivâsa	Sâman .	Âtrêya .		2
Sômanâtha .		. "	Narasambhatta .	Yajus .	Do	•••	Ť
Śrînivâsa		. "	Anantabhaṭṭa .	Do.	Kausika .	•••	1
Siddhaya		. ,,	Venkatayya		Kâśyapa .	Âpastamba .	1
Nâgâdîkshita .		,,,	Basavâvadhânin .	Rich .	Bhâradvãja.	•••	+
Angaya	•	. "	Kâļahasti	Yajus .	Haritasa .	•••	1
Ârûra		. "	Nallaperumâl	•••	Vatsa .	Satyāshāḍha .	1
Ahôbala		. ,,	Narasiriha	Yajus	Kâśyapa .	•••	3
Naïnârbhațța .		.,,	Brindavanenātha .	Rich	Do		3
Vêngadattappa .		. "	Singaperumâl .	Do	. Âtrêya .	,	2
Nîlakantha .		. "	Peddibhatta	Yajus	. Bhâradvāja.		+
Lakshmaņašāstri o		. "	Sômábhatta	Do.	. Śrîva tsa .		1/2
Gôvindadîkshita			***		Kauśika .	Âpastamba .)
Krishņambhatta.			***				} *
Timmâvadhânin		. Son of	Perubhatta	Yajus	. Bbâradvâja		1
Lingavadhanin .		. "	Mallubhatta		Kausika .	Î pastamba .	*
Śêshâdri		,,	Narahari		Śâlâvata .	Do	2
Nârasimha		, ,,	Yallubhatta	Yajus	. Bhâradvâja.	•••	1
Tirumalabhatta .		. "	Nâgâbhatta		Haritasa .	•••	1
Krishnabhagavata			***		Kaundinya.	***	1
Râmalingâvadhânin		. Son of	f Lingavadhanin .	Yajus	. Bharadvaja.		1
Śrînivâsaśàstrin .		, ,,,	Gangadharayajvan.	_	. Âtrêya		3
Timmâv a dhânin		, ,,	Śêsbâdri	Do.	. Bhâradvâja	ì	\$
Lakshmînara s imha		, ,,	Yalluyajvan	į	Âtrêya	Âpastamba	. 1
Venkatèsvara .		, ,	Aļvār	Rich	, Do.		13

List of donees-concluded.

Donee's name.	Relation.	Śâkhâ,	Gőtra.	Sútra.	Number of shares.
Kalapparân	Son of Îśvara	Ŗich .	Âtrêya .		3
Аууара	. ,, Anantakrishņa .	Do	Viśvámitra.		ŧ
Periyatiruvadi	. ,, Chokkanâthamakhin	Do	Dhanamjaya		2
Râmabhațța	. " Nârâyaņa	Do	Âtrêya .	•••	1
Narayana	. "Śińgiri		Bbaradvāja.	Âpastamba .	ł
Venkațapati	. " Giriyappa	Ŗich .	Śrîvatsa .	•••	1
Sûryanârâyaņa	. " Aruņagiri	Yajus .	Kaundinya.		1
Vadamala	. "Tiruvêngada	Do.	Vatsa .		1
Śrini	Younger brothers of Vadamals	Do	Do	•••	1
Rāmābhaṭṭa	. Son of Anantanârâyana .	Do	Kaundinya.	•••	1
Båghava	. Brother of Râmâbhaṭṭa .	Do. ·	Do	***	1.
Yallaya					
Rangaya	(
Venkațădri	(***	1
Venkapa	기				
Venkațâdri	. Son of Ganapati		Kauņģinya.	Satyåshådha .	3
Raghunathamakhin .	. , Vyåsaråyabhatta .	Sâman .	Bh āra dvāja.	•••	ı
Nārāyaņa	. " Anantabhaṭṭa .	***	Samkriti .	Bôdhâyana .	1
Dharmarâja			Vatsa .	•••	à
Nârâyaṇa	Son of Råghava	•••	Bhargava .	Jaimini .	ł
Sûryanârâyana	. Bhāskarabhaṭṭa .	•••	Bharadvåja.	Âpastamba .	1
Chokkåvadhånin .	. "Śińgiri	Yajus .	Lôhita .	•••	ŧ
Chidambarâvadhânin .	. ,, Varadabhatta .		Kausika .	Âpastamba .	1
Râmâvadhânin	. " Jagannātha	Yajus .	Âtrêya .	•••	1
Śrinivāsa	, Râmachandrabhațța	Do	Kauśika .	•••	1
Agastya		•••		191	1
Râmalinga of Kondavîțil		100	•••	•••	ż
Sarvanâtha		Rich .	Âtrêya .	14.4	1

[TOTAL : 611.2]

i.e. Kondavidu in the Kistna district; see page 60 above, line 2 from top.

This total, if added to the half of a field mentioned in line 249, agrees with the statement made in verse 45, that the village of Kûniyûr was divided into sixty-two shares.

(Vv. 119-123.) Let them all be victorious as long as the moon and the stars (exist), those chiefs of the twice-born who obtained as a tax-free gift (sarvamānya) the above-mentioned excellent village, adorned by trees growing on the bank of the prosperous Karņāṭaka canal, excluding the shares of learned Brāhmaṇas (Bhaṭṭa), including all the gifts to temples (dévadāya), with the kapaṭā-jôle, with the tirutuvalaya, with the maṭappara, with the kilekkalippala, with five and a half māvus¹ in Kārukurchi, with its boundary (stones) on all sides marked with (the image of) the blessed Vāmana (avatāra), situated on the western bank of the canal which flows to the south, and to the east of a small garden which is on the east of Kārukurchi.

(Line 249.) Half a field (kshêtra) was purchased and given to the village deity (grâma-dêvatâ).

- (V. 124.) This (is) an edict of the best of kings, the famous (and) glorious Venkaṭapati-râya, who is a moon to the lotuses (which are) learned men, (and) a Mahêndra on earth.
- (V. 125.) At the command of Vîra-Venkaṭarâya, the poet Râma, the son of Kâmakôṭi (and) grandson of Sabhâpati, composed the text of (this) edict.
- (V. 126.) The excellent Achyutârya, the son of Gaṇapârya (and) grandson of the illustrious (and) excellent Vîraṇâchârya, correctly wrote the fine verses of the edict of Venkața, the diadem of kings.

[Verses 127-131 contain the usual imprecations.] (Line 266.) Śrî-Veńkaţêśa.

No. 35.— DUDIA PLATES OF PRAVARASENA II.

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These plates were sent to Dr. Hultzsch by Mr. H. Cousens, Superintendent of the Archæological Survey of Western India, who had received them from Mr. W. Montgomerie, Settlement Officer, Chhindwara, Central Provinces. They belong to "Bharatsa and others, Gonds, at Dudia in the Aser parganâ of the Chhindwara district." I edit the inscription which they contain from excellent impressions, supplied by Mr. Cousens and Dr. Hultzsch.

These are four well preserved copper-plates, each of which measures $7\frac{1}{3}''$ long by $3\frac{1}{5}''$ broad. The second and third plates are inscribed on both sides, the first plate is so on one side only, and the fourth is blank and merely serves to protect the writing on the second side of the third plate. The plates are quite smooth, their edges having been neither fashioned thicker nor raised into rims; but the writing, nevertheless, is in an excellent state of preservation throughout. About $1\frac{1}{4}''$ distant from the middle of the proper right margin, each plate has a hole, about $\frac{1}{4}$ '' in diameter, for a ring on which the plates were strung. This ring is between $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{8}$ '' thick, and $3\frac{7}{8}$ '' in diameter. The two ends of the piece of copper of which it is formed are flattened off, and contain holes for a rivet, which has been lost. On the ring slides a copper band, $\frac{3}{4}$ ' broad, which is bent into a ring of $\frac{7}{8}$ by $1\frac{1}{8}$ '' in diameter, and the two ends of which are soldered together. Through the soldered part a hole is drilled, which corresponds to a hole in the centre of a circular seal; and a rivet, which also is lost now, must have held the copper band and the seal together. Owing to the loss of the two rivets,—the ring, the copper band and the seal are now quite loose. The seal is $3\frac{1}{1}$ 6'' in diameter, and has across its surface a legend in four lines, which will be given below.—The weight of the four plates is $3\frac{1}{4}$ 1bs.,

¹ The Tamil word mare or md means one twentieth (of the land-measure called reli).

² Compare Dr. Fleet's description of the Siwani plates; Gupta Inscriptions, p. 244,

that of the ring, the copper band and the seal, $\frac{1}{3}$ lb.; total, $\frac{3}{4}$ " lbs.—The size of the letters is about \(\frac{1}{4}.'' \) The **characters** belong to the southern class of alphabets, and furnish another good illustration of the 'box-headed' variety of the Central-Indian alphabet, of which we find several specimens in Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions. They are, in fact, almost identical with the characters of the Siwani grant, in Plate xxxv. of Dr. Fleet's volume, and the only letter, the form of which essentially differs in both inscriptions, is l, as may be seen, e.g., from the representation of the words amala-jala in line 5 of both grants. As regards the present plates, it may be mentioned that we have here two forms of n (e.g. in sûnôh, sûnôh, l. 3), of b (e.g. in brihaspati, 1. 1, and Darbbhamalaké, 1. 16), and of the superscript i (e.g. in svámi-, 1. 3, and Namidásé, 1. 29; balivardda, l. 19, and likhitam, l. 29); and that the inscription offers instances of the signs for final t, n, and m (e.g. in drishtam and Pravarapur [a]t, l. l, and vasundharan, l. 27).—The language is Sanskrit, and, excepting the legend on the seal which is in the Anushtubh metre, and one of the ordinary imprecatory verses, here ascribed to Vyasa, in lines 27-28, the inscription is in prose. As regards orthography, what will probably strike the reader most, are the frequent non-observance of the rules of external samdhi, and the equally frequent employment of short vowels (particularly a) instead of long ones. Of changes permitted in grammar, I would specially point out the doubling of k before r, e.g. in parakkrama, ll. 4 and 25, and sarvva-kkriyábhis, 1. 22; the similar doubling of th and dh before y in Bhágiratthy-amala-, 1. 5. and sarve [a*]ddhyaksha, l. 13; the doubling of v after anusvára in paradattá [m] vvá, l. 27. and samvvatsaré, l. 28; and the use of the upadhmaniya in bhaméh-panchao, l. 16, and rajnak-Pravara, 1. 3 of the seal.— The text contains several compounds which cannot be justified by the rules of grammar, and also a number of wrong forms, for some of which the official who drew up the grant may be held responsible, while others undoubtedly are due to carelessness on the part of the writer or engraver. The phraseology of the formal part of this charter, as well as of the others issued by the same donor, in some respects1 differs considerably from that of other copper-plate inscriptions, and exhibits (in lines 19-21) some revenue-terms which have not been met with elsewhere, and of which no satisfactory explanation can as yet be offered.

The inscription is one of the Vâkâṭaka Mahârâja Pravarasêna II. It has been written by one Gôladâsa (l. 29); and is dated (in ll. 28-29) on the tenth day of the fourth fortnight of the rainy season in the twenty-third year (of the Mahârâja's reign), while Namidâsa was the Sênâpati. And its object is, (in ll. 13-18) to record the grant, in the Ârammi province or district (râjya), of 25 bhâmis (of land) at Darbhamalaka, in the Chandrapura samgamikâ, to one Yakshârya of the Kausika gôtra, and of 60 bhâmis (of land) at the village of Karmakâra, in the Hiranyapura bhôga, to one Kâlisarman of the Kaundinya gôtra. Beyond this, the inscription yields no information whatever that has not been furnished already by the Chammak and Siwani grants, which were issued by the same Pravarasêna II. in the 18th year of his reign. Like those other inscriptions, it opens with the word drishtam, which I take to be employed simply as a term of good omen, the more so because it is not accompanied here by any other word of auspicious împort; and, as is the case with the Chammak grant, this charter also professes to be issued from Pravarapura. The inscription then, up to line 12,

¹ Compare especially lines 13-14, 18-21, and 24-26.

² Compare the similar use of the word rashtra in other inscriptions, e.g. page 145 above.

³ See Gupta Inscriptions, p. 241, note 9.

⁴ Chandrapura-samgamika probably means a tract of land near the confluence of two rivers at, or in the neighbourhood of, Chandrapura.

⁵ This word, which is used also elsewhere as a territorial term, is quite clear in the original. In line 18 of the Siwanî plates we find bhage (if this be really the reading intended) used apparently in the same sense.

See Gupta Inscriptions, p. 235 ff. and p. 243 ff.

⁷ See ib. p. 240, note 2. Professor Bühler is inclined to take drishtam in its literal sense and to translate it by 'seen.' the word indicating, according to his view, 'that the copy of the grant given to the doness had been seen, and was acknowledged to be correct, by the minister or by the keeper of the records;' see Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 9.

gives the genealogy of Pravarasêna II., exactly as it is given in the two other inscriptions, only omitting some insignificant epithets. The following lines, up to the word kirttaydmah in line 25, in which the donor issues his orders regarding the grant to the officials of the Arammi district, specifies the time-hallowed conditions under which the land, given by him, is granted, threatens with punishment those who might molest the donees, etc., agree with lines 21-35 of the Chammak grant, except that they contain some various readings, the most important of which will be pointed out below. Then follow, in line 25, an order apparently addressed to feudatories or subordinates, and a request to future rulers, to respect this donation, followed by an imprecatory verse. And the inscription ends with the date and the name of the writer, given above. The legend on the seal also is the same as in the other inscriptions, but worded less correctly.

The date of this inscription does not admit of verification, and all I can say about it is, that in accordance with Dr. Fleet's identification of the Mahārājādhirāja Dēvagupta, who is mentioned in line ll as the father of the mother of Pravarasêna II., this record would have to be assigned to about the beginning of the 8th century A.D. Compared with the dates of the Chammak and Siwani grants, which cite the bright fortnights of the lunar months Jyaishtha and Phâlguna, the present date is remarkable in being referred to the fourth fortnight of the rainy season, equivalent, in all probability, to the bright half of the month Bhâdrapada.

The localities mentioned in this inscription I am unable to identify. Chandrapura may perhaps be the modern Chandpur, which lies to the south of Siwanî and to the west of the Wên-Gangà river; but none of the maps at my disposal shews in its neighbourhood any of the other places referred to in this inscription.²

TEXT.3

First Plate.

- 1 Drishţam [|*] Pravarapur[â]t⁴ agnishţôm-[â*]ptôryyâm-ôkthya-shôḍaśy-atirâtra-5 vâjapêya-brihaspati-
- 2 sava-sâdyaskra-chaturaśvamêdha-yâjinaḥ ⁶Vishņuvriddha-eagôtrasya samrāṭaḥ⁷ Vâkātakânâm=ma-
- 3 hârâja-śri-**Pravarasênasya**⁸ sûnôḥ sûnôḥ atyanta-Svâmi-Mabâbhairava-bhaktasya aṁsa-bhâra-sa-
- 4 nnivêsita-Śi[va]ling9-ôdvahana-Śiva-suparitushta-samutpâdita-râjavamsânâm=parâkk r a -
- 5 m-âdhigata-Bhâgi(gî)ratthy-amala-jala-mûrddhâbhishiktânân=daśàśvamêdh â v a b h r i ta(tha)-snâtânâm=Bhâ-
- 6 rasivanam=maharaja-sri-Bhavanaga-dauhitrasya¹⁰ Gautamiputrasya putrasya Vakata-
- 7 kânâm=mah[â*]râja-śrî-Rudrasênasya sûnôh atyanta mâhêśvarasya saty-[â*]rjjava-kâruṇya-

¹ See Gupta Inscriptions, Introduction, p. 15.

² [Hiranyapura might be the modern "Hirapur," S. S. K. of Sagar. E. H.]

From impressions, supplied by Mr. Cousens and Dr. Hultzsch.

⁴ Here and frequently below, the rules of saindhi have not been or ented.

⁵ Originally -atirotra- was engraved, but it has been altered to attratra.

The first akshara of this word is really more like chi in the original.

⁷ Read samrájah, for samrájó; the Chammak plates have samrád, the Siwanî plates sashrat.

⁸ Read - fri-, which may be the reading of the original.

⁹ Of the akshara va, in brackets, either only a swill portion was actually engraved, or the akshara has been almost completely effaced.

¹⁰ Read fri-,

ii a.

स्थान स्थान समिति स्थान स्यान स्थान स्यान स्थान स्यान स्थान स्थान

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Seal

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Second Plate: First Side.

- 8 śauryya-vikkrama-naya-vinaya-mâhâtmya-dhimatva-pâtragatabhaktitva-¹dharmmavij a y i-tva-manônairmmaly-[â*]di-gu-
- 9 nai[h*] samuditasya varsha-satam=abhivarddhamâna²-kôśa-daṇḍa-sâdhana-santâna-putra-pautrinah Yudhishthira-vrittêr=Vvâ-
- 10 kâṭakân[â*]m=mahârâja-śrî-Pṛithivishêna(ṇa)sya sûnôḥ bhagavataś=Chakkrapâṇê[ḥ*] prasâd-ôpâ[r*]jjita-śrî-samuda-
- ll yasya Vâkâṭakânâm=mahârâja-śri-Rudrasênasya³ sûnôḥ mahârâjâdhirâja-Dêvagupta-
- 12 sut[â]yâḥ⁴ Prabh[â]vatiguptâyâm=utpannasya Vâk[â*]ṭakânâm=mah[â*]râja-śrî-Pravarasênasya
- 13 vachanât **Ârammi-**râjyê asmatsantakâs=sarvv[â*]ddhyaksha-niyôga-niyuktâḥ âjñâsañchâri-kula-

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 14 putr-[â*]dhikritâḥ bhaṭâś=chhâtraś=cha⁵ vyushatapûrvvamay=âjñâyajñâpayitavy[â]ḥ [|*] Viditam=astu va(vô) yath=êh=âsmâbhi-
- 15 r=âtmanô dharmm-âyur-bbalam-aiśvaryya-vivriddhayê⁶ ih=âmutra hit-ârttham=âtm-ânugrahâya vàijayaikê⁷ dharmma-sthânê **Chandrapura-**
- 16 sangamikâyâḥ⁸ Darbbhamalakê bhûmêḥ=panchaviśâ[m]⁹ Kausika-sagôtr[â*]ya Yakshâryyâya Hiranyapura-bhôgê
- 17 Karmmakâra-grâmê bhumê¹⁰ shashti Kauṇḍiṇya(nya)-sagôtrâya Kâliśarmmâya¹¹ apurvva-datyâ¹² udaka-pu(pû)rvva-
- 18 m=atisrishtah¹³ [l*] Uchitâś=ch=âsya¹⁴ pūrvva-râj-ânumatâm châturvvaidya-grâmamayyadâ¹⁵ parihâr-ârtthan(m)=vitarâmas=ta-¹⁶
- 19 tad=yathâ akaradâyinyau¹⁷ abhaṭachchhatraprâvêśya¹⁸ apâramparagôbalivardda apushpakshira-

¹ B. ad -dhimatica-páirágalabhaktaiva-. Instead of páiragala the Chammak plates actually have káirágala, while the Siwaui plates, too, read páiragala.

² The actual reading of the original may perhaps be =abhtva°.

⁸ Read -srt-.

⁴ Read -sutâyâm, which is the reading of the Chammak plates. Before Décagupta- one misses the word iri-

⁵ Read =chhâttrāi=cha visruta-purvvay=ājūay=ājūāpa°. The other plates both have visruta instead of the meaningless vyushata.

⁶ Read -bbal-aiśvaryya-. Read raijanikė. 6 Read °kāyām.

⁹ Between the aksharas mé and hpa another akshara, perhaps é or cha, was originally engraved, but the bak of the impression shews that it has been struck out again. One would have expected bhûmayah (or bhûn inâm) pancharimsatih.

¹¹ Bead Kalisarmmane.

¹² Read ar . vra-datiya.

¹⁸ Read °srishtáh.

¹¹ Read uchitam ch=. The word asya must be taken to refer to the two pieces of land, mentioned before, collectively.

¹⁶ Read -maryyddam. The Siweni plates have nothing corresponding to the sentence uchitas-ch-daya vitoramas; the Chammak plates have it, but omit from it the word pariharartham.

¹⁶ Originally "taramah sta- was engraved, but the sign of risarga has been struck out. At the commencement of the next line the concluding ta of this line is erroneously repeated.

¹⁷ The dual is used here and below, rather ungrammatically, because these adjectives refer to the two pieces of land, spoken of before.

¹⁸ Read °chekháttraprárésyas, and, in the next word, °carddau. The four terms beginning with apáramparagóbalivardda and the term sakfiptópakfipta in 1, 21 I am anable to explain.

Third Plate: First Side.

- avá(chá)rásanacharmmángáraul alavana (na) klinnak krênik hanak au sarvvavê(vi)shti-parihâra-parî(ri)hritau
- 21 sanidhis=sôpanidhî3 sakli(kli)ptôpakli(kli)ptau âchandrâdityakâlîyau putrapautrānugāmî4 [|*] bhuñjatâ6 na kênachi-
- ⁶vyâghâtam=karttavyaḥ [1*] sarvva-kkriyâbhis=samrakshitavyaḥ⁷ parivarddhayitavyaś= cha [|*] Yaś=ch=âsmach-chhâsanâ(na)m=agana(na)ya-
- svalshâ(lpâ)m=api paribâdhâ[m]8 kurvyât=kâravita9 tasva brâhmanair=vvêditasva sadanda-
- dharmm-âdara-karanê nigrahan-kuryyâmah¹⁰ [|*] Asmîś=chall atît-ânêka-rajadattām12 sanchittana-paripālana[m*]
- 25 krita-puny-ânukîrttana-parihâr-ârtthan=na kîrttayâmah sankalp-âbhidyûdha-18 parâkkram-ôpajât[â*]n=varttamânâ-

Third Plate: Second Side.

- 14êshyatat-kâla-prabhavishņu-gauravâmd=16bhavishyàn=vijnapayamah n'njñâpayâmaḥ [|*] Vyâsa-gîtaś=ch=âtra ślôkah |16
- pramânîkarttavyah | 17Sva-dattâm=para-dattâ[m] vvâ yô harêta vasundharân(m) | gava[m*] śata-sahasrasya hattu(ntu)r=ha-
- 28 rati dushkritam |(||) Samvvatsarê trayôvitšatimê¹⁸ varsh[â*]-pakshê chaturtthê divasê dasamê sênâpatan |19
- Namidâsê | likhitam Gôladâsêna

The Seal.

- l ⁹⁰Vākātaka-lalāmasya |-
- 2 kkramaprâpya-nripaśriyam
- 3 râjñah=Pravarasênasya | 23
- 4 śasanam ripu-śasanam ((1))
- ¹ The actual reading of the original looks rather like *rmmdrigarau.
- The signs of punctuation in this line and in the next are superfluous.
- ³ Originally "nidhau was engraved, but it has been altered to "nidht. Instead of the preceding sanidhis read sanidht.
 - 4 Read, in accordance with the rest, ogdminau. 5 Read bhunjatam.
 - s Read d=vyághátah. The Chammak plates have kénachi vyághátam.
 - 7 Read, here and in the next word, "tavyau.
 - 8 In the original this sign of anusvara is placed above the following ku.
 - 9 Read, with the Chammak plates, kârayitâ. One would have expected kârayêd=vâ.
 - No Read kuryydma.
- 21 Read asmims=cha. For the following word, the reading of which is quite certain, the Chammak plates have dharmm-avara-karane, which I do not understand; and the Siwani plates, dharmm-adhikarane. As pointed out by Dr. Fleet, dharmm-adara-karanê is what Dr. Bhagvanlal Indraji proposed to read.
 - n Read ordia-datta-sanchintana-, which clearly is the reading intended in the Chammak plates.
- 13 Read -abhiyoga-(?). The other plates have nothing corresponding to the sentence sankalpdindpayamah. The choice of the verb ajnapayamah, contrasted with the following vijnapayamah, appears to shew that the words sankalp- . . . - ôpajátán refer to feudatories or subordinates of the mahárája.
- 14 Read eshyat. The original looks as if the engraver first had engraved correctly eshyatedla. and had inserted the superfluous ta afterwards. The Siwanî plates have êshyantatkâla.
 - ¹⁶ This sign of punctuation is superfluous. 15 Read -gauravad=.
- 17 Metre : Ślóka (Anushtubh). 19 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
 - 18 Read trayôvimsatimé or, correctly, trayôvimsatitamê.
- 21 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

20 Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

2 Read prápta-nripośriyah.

23 This eign of punctuation is superfluous.

No. 36.— RAJOR INSCRIPTION OF MATHANADEVA; [VIKRAMA-]SAMVAT 1016.

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The stone which bears this inscription was found, about eighteen years ago, near the temple of Nîlakantha Mahâdêva, among the ruins of the city of Pâranagar which are to the south of the village of Râjôr or Râjôrgadh, on a lofty range of hills in the Râjgadh district of the Alwar State in Râjputâna, about 28 miles south-west of the town of Alwar; and it is now preserved at Alwar itself. The inscription was first published by the late Dr. Rajendralal Mitra, in the Proceedings of the Bengal Asiatic Society, 1879, p. 157 ff., from a transcript prepared by Paṇḍit Bhavânanda and his brothers, of Alwar; and it has again been printed in the Prâchânalêkhamâlâ of the Kâvyamâlâ, Vol. I. p. 53 ff., from another copy supplied by the same gentlemen. I now re-edit the inscription from rubbings which have been procured for me by Dr. Fleet.

The inscription contains 23 lines of writing which covers a space of about 1'5" broad by 1' $3\frac{1}{4}$ " high, and is nearly throughout in a perfect state of preservation. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{1}{4}$ ". The characters are Nâgarî; they closely resemble those of the Harsha inscription of Vigraharâja, published with a photo-lithograph in the *Epigraphia Indica*, Vol. II. p. 116 ff. The language is Sanskrit, and, excepting four benedictive and imprecatory verses, here ascribed to Vyâsa, in lines 18-20, and another verse in line 21, which gives the names of the composer, the writer and the engraver, the text is in prose. The inscription has been written and engraved very carefully. In respect of **orthography**, I need only note the employment of the letter v for both v and b, the doubling of t and d in the conjuncts tr and dr, and the occasional use of the sign of avagraha. As regards lexicography, lines 11-12 contain a number of revenue-terms, the exact import of which is not apparent, and some other words of unknown or doubtful meaning (pravani, tatti, chôlliká, etc.) occur in lines 6, 16 and 17, and 22 and 23.

The inscription (in lines 1-3) refers itself to the reign of the Paramabhaṭṭāraka Mahārājādhirāja Paramēśvara, the illustrious Vijayapāladēva, who meditated on the feet of the Paramabhaṭṭāraka Mahārājādhirāja Paramēśvara, the illustrious Kshitipāladēva; and is dated, in words and figures, on Saturday, the 13th of the bright half of Māgha of the year 1016. On this day the Mahārājādhirāja Paramēśvara, the illustrious Mathanadēva, of the Gurjarapratīhāra linesge, and a son of the Mahārājādhirāja, the illustrious Sāvata, residing at Rājyapura, (in lines 3-13) informs his officials, the gamāgamikas and others, and the mahattaras, mahattamas, merchants, pravanis and other inhabitants of the village of Vyāghrapātaka, pertaining to the Vamšapōtaka bhōga which Mathanadēva held possession of, that on the occasion of the installation (of the image, or the consecration of the temple) of the god Lachchhukēšvara Mahādēva (Šiva), so named after his mother Lachchhukā, he has granted to the god (or his temple) the village of Vyāghrapātaka,—'up to its proper boundaries,

¹ See Sir A. Cunningham's Archwol. Survey of India, Voi. XX. pp. 124-126. I have no doubt that Major Powlett rightly believed Râjôr or Râjôrgadh (i.e. Râjyapura) to be the old name of Pâranagar; and it seems to me highly probable that 'the holy temple of Niiakantha Mahâdêva, which is the most famous place of pilgrimage in this part of the country,' and which Sir A. Cunningham has assigned to the 10th century A.D., is the very temple that is referred to in the inscription here edited.

² The concluding word irt-Mathanah is in somewhat larger characters.

² Compare, e.g., Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 306, 1 35; Vol. XVII. p. 11, 1, 14.

^{*} I am unable to explain this word, but would compare with vanik-pravani-pramakha the expression vanikireshthi-puroga, which is met with elsewhere. Pravani occurs in pravani-kara, the meaning of which also is not
apparent; compare Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 10, note 58.

the grass and pasture land, with the udranga, with its rows of trees, with its water, with the bhôga and mayuta1 income, with all customary and not customary, fixed and not fixed receipts. the shares of all sorts of grain, the khala-bhiksha, prasthaka, skandhaka, marganaka, the fines. ten offences,³ gifts, treasures and deposits, the aputrikadhana⁴ and nashtibharata, and together with all neighbouring fields, cultivated by the Gûrjaras,—for the purpose of defraying the expenses of bathing (the god) three times a day, of unguents, flowers, incense, naivėdya offerings, lights and oil, of applying white-wash and red lead, of repairing what may become damaged or broken, of public shows and putting on the sacred thread, and of paying labourers, gardeners, etc.' Lines 13-15 shew that the administration of this grant, in the first instance, was entrusted to the holy ascetic Ômkâraśivâchârya (a disciple of Rûpaśivâchârya, who again was a disciple of Śrîkanthâchârya), a member of the Sôpuriya line or school (of devotees) started at Âmardaka, and inmate of the Nityapramuditadêva matha at Râjyapura, which was connected with the Gôpâladêvîtadâgapâlî mațha at Chhâttrasiva. And the donor (in lines 13-17) exhorts his successors not to obstruct, but rather always to assist the ascetic's disciples and disciples' disciples in the management of the property6 for the benefit of the god (or his temple). Lines 18-20 quote four of the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses; and the main part of the inscription ends, in line 21, with another verse, according to which this charter (śásana) was composed? by Dêdda, written by his son Sûraprasâda, and engraved by Hari.

Lines 22-23 then record certain additional taxes or tolls, the proceeds of which were to be made over to the same deity (or temple) jointly with the god Vinâyaka (Gaṇêśa, whose image or shrine was) set up in the lower grounds ⁸ adjoining four chapels on one side (of the temple of Lachchhukêśvara). So far as I understand this passage, these taxes were three viṁśôpakas, as customary in the market, on every sack ⁹ (of agricultural produce) brought for sale to the market; ¹⁰ two palikás¹¹ from every ghaṭaka-kūpaka of clarified butter and oil; two viṁśôpakas

¹ As the inscription is written and engraved very carefully, I do not think that the word mayuta of the text is likely to be a wrong reading; but its meaning is not apparent.

The exact meaning of this and the following terms I do not know. Khala-bhiksha, 'the alms of the threshing floor,' occurs again in Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 179, v. 42; and khalaka I find as a revenue-term in Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 114, l. 55. Marganaka occurs (in abhinava-margganaka) ibid, Vol. XVIII. p. 83, l. 20.

³ As we find in other inscriptions sadaśáparádhadanda and sadandadaśáparádha used as synonymous expressions, I believe that the words of our text, too, are intended to denote 'the fines for the ten offences,' whatever these may be. For another explanation of danda-daśáparádha, the correctness of which appears to me doubtful, see Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 253, note 1.

⁴ This term—' the property of a daughter who is not a putrika' — and the following nashtibharata (or perhaps nashtabharata) I am again unable to explain.

So far as I can see, the text in line 14 is not quite correct; for the word sambaddha, in my opinion, is meant to refer, not to *rf-Rájyapur*, but to the following *rf-Nityapramuditad&va-math*. The difficulty could of course easily be removed by altering *sambaddha to *sambaddh*. Gop*iitd&vi-tad*oga-påit-matha would be 'the matha on the margin of the tank of Gop*alid&vi.' To this religious establishment that at Råjyapura apparently was subordinate.

⁶ Here we have the otherwise unknown word tatti, in l. 16 in the phrase tattim . . . kurvataḥ kdrayató vá, apparently expressing the sense of the ordinary bhuñjató bhójayató vá, and in l. 17 in the compound tatti-sánáthya, 'rendering assistance in the proper management (?).'

⁷ This clearly is the meaning of the word kritaván in l. 21. The name Dèdda occurs also in one of the Khajurâhô inscriptions; see Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 129, v. 47.

⁸ The word jagati occurs in Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 160, l. 15 — In the Archael. Survey of India, Vol. XX. p. 125, it is stated that the date Samvat 1010 is clearly legible on a figure of Ganesa in the large temple of Nîlakantha at Paranagar (Rajôr).

⁹ Compare, e.g., Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 240, l. 56, gónim prati vimiópakam; and, for vimiópaka, ibid. Vol. l. p. 166.

¹⁰ I am not certain about the meaning of the word hattadana in 1. 22. It may perhaps be equivalent to mandapika or śulka-mandapika, 'a custom-house,' which occurs in similar passages of other inscriptions.

il Compare Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 166. As regards the following ghafaka kupaka, I can only say that ghafa by itself means 'a jar, a putcher, a measure equal to one or to 20 drómas,' and kupaka 'a leather oil vessel.'

per mensem for every shop; and fifty leaves from every chôlliká! (of leaves) brought from outside the town.—The inscription concludes with the words 'the illustrious Mathana;' representing the signature of the donor.

In the Indian Antiquary, Vol. XIX. p 23, I have already had occasion to shew that the date of this inscription, for the expired Vikrama year 1016, corresponds to Saturday, the 14th January, A.D. 960. This date enables us to prove, with a fair amount of certainty, that the sovereign Vijayapâladêva, to whose reign the inscription professes to belong, was a king of Kanauj. In the Epigraphia Indica, Vol. II. p. 235, I have attempted to shew that the three kings Vijayapâladêva, Râjyapâladêva and Trilôchanapâladêva, who are mentioned in the Bengal Asiatic Society's plate of Trilôchanapâla, edited by me in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. XVIII. p. 33 ff., were rulers of Kanauj; and as that plate, for Trilôchanapâladêva, gives us a date corresponding to the 26th June, A.D. 1027, there would, so far as regards the two dates, be no objection to identifying the Vijayapâladêva of the plate with the Vijayapâladêva of the present inscription (of the year A.D. 960). And such an identification is supported by the fact that the Vijayapâladêva of this inscription is here stated to have been preceded by Kshitipâladêva. For we know that a king of this name, also called Mahîpâla and Hêrambapâla, was actually ruling at Kanauj in A.D. 917-18, forty-two years before the date of our inscription.2 It is true that, according to the large Sîyadônî inscription,3 Kshitipâladêva of Kanauj in A.D. 948 had been succeeded (not by Vijayapâladêva, but) by Dêvapâladêva; but this would seem to be no very formidable objection to the proposed identification. For it might either be said that Vijayapâladêva was a younger brother of Dêvapâladêva, in which case the omission of the elder brother's name from the present inscription would not be without precedent; or we might assume that Dêvapâladêva and Vijayapâladêva are two names of one and the same king, an assumption in favour of which it might be urged that each of the three predecessors of Dêvapâladêva—Bhôja, Mahêndrapâla, and Kshitipâla—also bore each at least one other name. For the present, then, I do identify the Kshitipâladêva and Vijayapâladêva of this inscription with the sovereigns of the same names, known to us from the Sîyadônî inscription and the plate of Trilôchanapâla; and consider the Mahārājādhirāja Paraméśvara Mathanadêva, who made the grant here recorded, to have been a feudatory or subordinate of the kings of Kanaui. Of this Mathanadêva and his predecessor Savata nothing is known to me from other inscriptions; and I have not found elsewhere any mention of the Gurjara-pratihara clan or family, to which they are stated to have belonged. The clan perhaps is identical with the Vadaquijara-vamsa ('the Bargujar tribe of Rajputs'), mentioned in line 8 of an inscription at Machadi, of Vikrama-Samvat 1439,5 of which a rough photo-lithograph was published in the Archwelogical Survey of India, Vol. VI. Plate xi.

Of the localities mentioned, Rājyapura, apparently Mathanadêva's capital, is of course Rājôr or Rājôrgadh, or rather Pâranagar, close to the modern village of Rājôr, where the inscription has been found; and the village of Vyāghrapāṭaka is said to exist still, near Rājôr, under the name of Bāghôr. The place Vamsapôtaka, which gave the name to the bhôga or district to which the village belonged, I am unable to identify. Nor can I identify the places Âmardaka and Chhāttraśiva, which are mentioned in connection with the ascetics to whom the management of the grant was entrusted. Chhâttraśiva ought to be looked for in

¹ This word I have not met with elsewhere. Fifty leaves appear to be a usual tax; compare, e.g., Ep. 1ad. Vol. II. p. 179, vv. 41 and 42.

⁴ It may be mentioned that the fendatories of the kings of Kanauj, whose names occur in the Siyadon inscription, also are styled Mahdrdjddhirdjas.— Compare also here a paper on the relation between the kingdom of Kanauj and Gujarât, in Ind. Ant. Vol. III. p. 41 ff.

⁵ See ibid. Vol. XIX. p. 31, No. 43.

See the Práchinalikhamálá of the Kávyamálá, Vol. I. p. 54, note.

the neighbourhood of Râjôr; and the name Âmardaka I have previously found in the word Âmardakatîrtha-nâtha, the name or an epithet of a Śaiva ascetic who is mentioned in the inscription from Ranôd (Narôd), published by me in the Epigraphia Indica, Vol. I. p. 351 ff.

TEXT.1

- 1 Öm³ svasti || Paramabhattâraka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-śrî-Kshitipâladêvapâdânudhyâta-paramabhattâraka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśva-
- 2 ra-śrî-Vijayapâladêva-pâdânâm=abhipravarddhamâna-kalyânavijayarâjyê samvatsara-śatêshu daśasu shôdaś-ôttarakêshu Mâ-
- 3 ghamâsa-sitapaksha-ttrayôdaśyâm Śani-yuktâyâm-êvam sam 1016 Mâgha-śudi
 13 Śanâv-adya śrî-Râjyapur-âvasthitô mahârâjâdhirâja-
- 4 paramêśvara-śrî-Mathanadêvô mahârâjâdhirâja-śrî-Sâvaṭa-sûnur=Ggurjjarapratîhârânyayah kuśalî | 4 syabhôg-âvâpṭa-Vaṁśapôṭaka-bhôga-saṁya(ba)ddha-
- 5 Vyaghrapataka-gramê⁵ samupagatan=sarvvan=êva rajapurushan=niyôgasthan=gamagamikan⁶=niyuktak-aniyuktakams=tannivasi-mahattara-mahattama-
- 6 vaṇik-pravaṇi-pramukha-janapadâmś=cha yathârham mânayati vô(bô)dhayati samâdiśati ch=âstu vaḥ samviditam | tṛiṇ-âgra-lagna-jalavindu-samsthân-â-
- 7 sthirāni śarîra-sampaj-jîvitân=ît=îmâm samsâr-âsâratâm kîrtti-mûrttêś=cha kalpasthâyitâm jñâtvâ mayâ pittrôr=âtmanaś=cha puṇya-yaśô-bhivri-
- 8 ddhayê⁷ aihik-âmushmika-phala-nimittam samsâr-ârṇṇava-taraṇ-ârtham svarggamârgg-ârggal-ôdghâṭana-hêtôḥ sva-mâtṛi-śrî-**Lachchhukâ-**nâm[n]â śrî-Lachchhukêśyara-ma-
- 9 hâdêvâya pratyaham 38 snapana-samâlabhana-pushpa-dhûpa-naivêdya-dîpa-taila-sudhâsimdûra-lâgana-khaṇḍasphuṭita-samârachana-prêkshaṇaka-pavittrakâ-
- 10 rôhana-karmmakara-vâṭikâpâl-âdi-vyay-ârtham=uparisûchita-**Vyâghrapâṭaka-gr**âmah svasîmâ-tṛina-yûṭi-gôka(cha)ra-paryantah sôddramgah savṛikshamâ-
- ll lâkulah sajalô ⁹bhôga-mayut-âdâyâ[bhy]âm=api samasta-sasyânâm bhâga-khalabhikshâ-prasthaka-skandhaka-mârggaṇaka-daṇḍa-daśâparâdha-dâna-nidhi-nidhâ-
- n-âputtrikâdhana-nashtilo-bharat-ôchitânuchita-niva(ba)ddhâniva(ba)d d ha s a ma s t a pratyâdâya-sahitas=tath=aitat-pratyâsanna-śrî-Gûrjjara-vâhita-samasta-kshêttra-samêtaś= ch=âkimchi-
- 13 tpragrâhyô-dya puṇyê-hani snâtvâ dêvasya pratishṭhâ-kâlê¹¹ udaka-pûrvvam parikalpya śâsanêna dattô¹³ matv-aivam-adya dinâd-ârabhya śrîmad-Âmarddaka-vinirggata-śrî-
- 14 Sôpurîya-samtatyâm śrî-Chchhâttraśivê śrî-Gôpâlîdêvîtadâgapâlî-maṭha-samva(mba)ddha-śrî-Râjyapurê śrî-Nityapramuditadêva-maṭhê śrî-Śrîkanṭhâchârya-śishya-śrî-Rû-
- paśivâchâryas=tachchhishya-śrîmad-Ômkâraśivâchâryasy=askhalita-vra(bra) h m a c h a r yâvâpta-mahâmahimnah parama-yaśô-râśêh śishya-pratiśishya-kramêṇa¹³ dêv-ô-

3 Read samratsara -.

ratsara. 4 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

5 The name Vyághrapátaka is quite clear in the rubbings, both here and in line 10, below.

6 This word also is clear in the rubbings, and the reading is not kramagamikan=.

7 Read °ddhaya.

8 Read trih-snapana-.

¹ From rubbings, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

² Expressed by a symbol.

The text is perfectly clear here in the rubbings. The editor in the Kávyamálá reads sakalábhógamayula° and proposes to alter this to sakalabhógasamyula°.

¹⁰ This may possibly have been altered to mashta in the original.

¹¹ Read -kala. 12 Rend dattah 1.

u Instead of gratifishys one would have expected prafishys.

- 16 payôg-ârthan=tattim¹=avyavachchhêdên=âchandrârkkam yâvat=kurvataḥ kârayatô vâ çsmad-vamśajair=anyatarair=vvâ bhâvibhir=bhûpâlaiḥ kâla-kâlêshv=api paripamthanâ
- 17 nâ(na) kâryâ pratyut=âsmat-krita-prârthanayâ sadâ tatti-sânâthyam vôḍhavyam ||
 Yataḥ samân=aiv=êyam puṇya-phal-âvâptir=anumamtavyâ | Uktam cha bhagavatâ
- 18 ramarshinâ vêda-vyâsêna Vyâsêna || ²Va(ba)hubhir=vvasudhâ bhuktâ râjabhih Sagar-âdibhih | yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis=tasya tasya tadâ phalam || Âdityô Varu-
- 19 nô Vâyur=Vvra(bbra)hmâ Vishnur=Hutâśanaḥ | bhagavân(n)=Śûlapâṇiś=cha abhinandanti bhûmidam || Shashṭim varsha-sahasrâṇi svarggê tishṭhati bhûmidaḥ | âchchhêttâ ch=ânumam-
- 20 tâ cha tâny=êva narakam³ vasêt || 'Yair=vvâmchhitam śiśiradîdhiti-śubhra-kîrttêr=yaiś=ch=âmara-praṇayinî-parirambhaṇasya | tê sâdhavô na hi haranti parêṇa da-
- 21 ttâm dânâd=vadanti paripâlanam sâdhu || 袋|| Śâsanam kṛitavân=Dêddô likhitam tasya sûnunâ | vyaktam Sûraprasâdêna utkîrṇṇam Hariṇâ tata iti || 袋
- 22 Tathâ şmushmai dêvâya pârśv[ê] dêvakulikâ-chatushṭayâ4şdhô-jagatyâm̄⁷ pratishṭhita-Vinâyaka-sahitâya [ha]ṭṭa-dânê gônîm̄⁸ prati haṭṭa-vyâvahâru(ri)ka-vim [3] gha[taka]-kûpakam prati ghri-
- 23 tasya tailasya cha palik[ê] dvê 2 vîthîm prati mâsi [2(?)] vim 2 tathâ vahihpravishta-chôllikâm prati parṇṇânâm 50 êtad=dêvasya kṛitam=iti || 🌣 || Śrî-Matha[na]h ||

No. 37 .- BHADANA GRANT OF APARAJITA;

SAKA-SAMVAT 919.

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These plates are said to have been found, in 1881, with the headman of 'Bhere,' a village about ten miles north of Bhiwandi, the chief town of the Bhiwandi tâlukâ of the Thâna district of the Bombay Presidency. I edit the inscription which they contain from excellent impressions, prepared by Dr. Fleet, to whom the original plates were lent by their present owner, Colonel A. F. Dobbs, late Madras Staff Corps.

These are three copper-plates, the second and third of which are engraved on both sides, while the first is so on one side only. Each plate measures about $10\frac{1}{8}$ broad by $7\frac{3}{8}$ high. Their edges were fashioned thicker, so as to serve as rims to protect the writing; and, with the exception of a few short passages on the first sides of the second and third plates, the inscription

¹ This word, tattism, and the word tatti in the next line are quite clear in the rubbings, and cannot be read in any other way. The two previous editions of the text have tatrism in this line, and tatri or tatra in the next.

Metre of this verse and of the two next verses: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

³ Read naraké.

⁴ Metre: Vasantatilaka. The construction in this verse is grammatically incorrect.

⁵ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁵ This word, instead of which the two published versions of the text have dêvô, is quite clear in the rubbings.

⁷ Instead of sdhojagatyam, which is quite clear in the rubbings, the published texts have rajadhanyam.

⁶ Read goulin.

⁹ See the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. XIV. p. 50.

really is in a state of excellent preservation. The plates are held together by a circular ring, about \(\frac{1}{4}\)" thick and 2\(\frac{1}{4}\)" in diameter, which had not been cut when this record came into Dr. Fleet's hands. The ends of the ring are socketed in a seal, of which the surface is circular, about 2½" in diameter. This seal has, in high relief on a countersunk surface, a representation of Garuda, with the body of a man and the face of a bird, squatting full-front, with the hands clasped on the breast. The weight of the three plates is 224 tolas, and of the ring and seal, 32½ tolas; total, 256½ tolas.—The engraving is bold and good. The plates being substantial, the letters, though fairly deep, do not shew through on the reverse sides at all: the interiors of some of them shew marks of the working of the engraver's tool .- The size of the letters is about $\frac{5}{16}$ ". The characters are Någarî, and the language is Sanskrit. Up to nearly the end of line 39 the inscription, after the introductory ôm ôm namô Vinâyakâya, has 24 verses, chiefly containing genealogical matter. The rest, being the formal part of the grant, is in prose, but includes, in lines 49-50 and 74-82, a well-known verse on the vanity of this life and seven of the ordinary benedictive and imprecatory verses. As may be seen from the occasional omission of single aksharas and groups of aksharas (e.g. in lines 38 and 54) and from the frequent occurrence of wrong letters, the writer has done his work in a rather slovenly manner. As regards orthography, the letter b is throughout denoted by the sign for v; the dental sibilant is frequently used for the palatal, and the palatal three times for the dental (in asid, 1. 3, šakala, 1. 37, and šamvatsara, 1. 54); and the dental nasal is employed instead of the guttural in the words anka, Il. 5, 32, 54 and 89, and Konkana, I. 56, and instead of the palatal in kanchanam, 1. 78. In respect of the language, it may be noted that the text in line 45 offers two birudas, Malagalaganda, 'a conqueror of mountains (?),' and Nannisamudra, 'a sea of truth,' which are not Sanskrit, and that it also contains some proper names with Kanarese endings, in lines 64 and 85-86. The word dramma, abbreviated to dra, which occurs in lines 88-89, is often met with in cognate inscriptions.

The inscription is one of the Śilâra¹ Mahâmanḍaléśvara Aparâjitadêva. It clearly divides itself into two parts. The first part, up to line 39, gives the genealogy of Aparâjita himself and of the Raṭṭa (or Râshṭrakûṭa) kings, to whom the earlier Śîlâra chiefs owed allegiance;² and the second part records the grant of the village of Bhâdâna, made by Aparâjita in Śaka-Samvat 919 in favour of (the temple of) the god (Sûrya under the name) Lônâditya, at Lavanêtaṭa.

Opening with the words 'ôm, ôm, adoration to Vinâyaka,' the inscription first has two verses (one of which is well known to us from Râshṭrakûṭa inscriptions) invoking the protection of the gods Vishṇu, Śiva, and Brahman. It then gives, in verses 3-12, the following complete list of the seventeen Râshṭrakûṭa kings from Gôvinda I. to Kakkala: 3—1, Gôvindarâja; 2, Karkarâja; 3, Indrarâja; 4, his son Dantivarman; 5, Karkarâja's son Kṛishṇarâja; 6, Gôvindarâja; 7, his younger brother Dhruva; 8, his son Jagattuṅga; 9, Durlabha Amôghavarsha; 10, his son Kṛishṇarâja; 11, Jagattuṅga's son Indradêva Nityaṁvarsha; 12, his son Amôghavarsha, who is said to have ruled for one year; 13, his younger brother

² The inscription in this respect is like the Khârêpâţan copper-plate inscription of the Silâra Mandalika Rattarâja of Saka-Samvat 930.

² Compare Dr. Fleet's Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts, p. 31 ff.; Dr. Bhandarkar's Early History of the Dekkan, p. 47 ff.; and especially Dr. Bhandarkar in the Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 240 ff.

¹ On the three branches of the Sîlâra or Sîlâra or Sîlâhâra family see Dr. Bhagvanlal Indraji în Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XIII. pp. 10-17. On the particular branch of the family to which Aparâjita belonged, which ruled over the Northern Konkan, compare the Bomboy Gazetteer, Vol. XIII. p. 422 ff., and the inscriptions in the Asiatic Researches, Vol. I. p. 357 ff., and Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 276 ff.; Vol. IX. p. 33 ff.; and Vol. XIII. p. 133 ff.

⁴ So the name is written both in line 7 and in line 11. The Jagattunga, of whom Indradêva Nityamvarsha and Vaddigadêva (No. 14) were sons, was a son of Krishnarâja (No. 10); he did not rule himself. In the Khârêpâţan plates also Indrarâja is mentioned immediately after Akâlavarsha (our Krishnarâja, No. 10), and is described as his grandson (maptā).

Gôvindarâja Suvarṇavarsha; 14, his paternal uncle, the (son of Jagattunga and) younger brother of Nityamvarsha, Vaddigadêva; 15, Kṛishṇarâja; 16, Khoṭṭigadêva; and 17, Kakkala, a son of a prince Nirupama. It will be seen that this list agrees with the account given in Dr. Bhandarkar's Eurly History of the Dekkan, p. 57, as amended by the same scholar in the Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 240 ff.; and the only points new to us are the name Durlabha for the first Amôghavarsha (No. 9), and the remark that the second Amôghavarsha (No. 12) ruled for one year only.—This account of the Râshṭrakûṭas, in verse 13, closes with the statement that (when the grant here recorded was made) the last king Kakkala had been overthrown by (the Western Châlukya) Tailappa, as a light is extinguished by a fierce wind, and that of the once flourishing Raṭṭa rule there remained only the memory.

Verses 14-24 then give the following genealogy of Aparâjita himself, already known to us from other inscriptions: the mythical beings Jîmûtakêtu and his son Jîmûtavâhana, 'the ornament of the Śilâra family;' Kapardin; Pulaśakti; his son Kapardin; Vappuvanna; his son Jhañjha; his brother Goggirâja; his son Vajjadadêva; and his son Aparâjita. What is new here, is, that Aparâjita, according to verse 20, also bore the name Mṛigânka.

After these verses, the proper object of the inscription is stated in prose, in lines 39-66:-After the down-fall of the Ratta rule,4 consequent on the extinction of the Paramabhattaraka Mahârâjâdhirâja Paraméścara, the glorious Kakkaladêva, who had meditated on the feet of the P. M. P., the glorious Khottigadeva, who in turn had meditated on the feet of the P. M. P., the glorious Krishnarajadeva, (kings) who formerly resided at the famous Mânyakhêtaka,— the Mahâsâmantâdhipati Mahâmandalésvara, the glorious Aparâjitadêvarâja. who by virtue of his might has attained the pańchamaháśabda, and is adorned with such titles as "the supreme lord of Tagarapura, the Silâra prince, he who is begotten in the lineage of Jîmûtavâhana, who has a golden Garuda in his ensign, a great ocean of pride, a conqueror of mountains (?), a god of love among beroes, the possessor of innate knowledge, the frontal ornament of the Western Region, a sea of truth, a sun of fierce splendour, Sanivaravijava."8 etc., informs all persons as they may be concerned, the future occupants of the village (to be mentioned below), fendatories, rajaputras and heads of towns, and the chief and common people of the three (principal) eastes, places of abode (sthana), etc., that, when the years from the time of the Saka king were nine hundred and nineteen, on the fourth lunar day of the dark half of Ashadha of the current year Hemalamba, and when he, the glorious king $(r\hat{a}jan)$, happened to be staying at the famous Sthânaka, he, on the auspicions occasion of the Dakshinayana,— (i.e. the) Karkata-samkranti,—having poured water into the

¹ Besides, verse 11 may possibly contain an allusion to the imprisonment of Krishnarâja (No. 15) by one of his adversaries; see page 272 below, note 6.

It may be noticed that, by the strict wording of verse 17, the name Vappuvanna, which occurs in that verse, ought to be taken as another name of the second Kapardin, spoken of in verse 16. But the other inscriptions distinctly call Vappuvanna the son of the younger Kapardin.

It seems impossible to take the word mrigankah in verse 20 in any other sense.

⁴ As this event had taken place twenty-four years before the present grant was issued, the manner in which the formal part of the inscription commences shows, how long certain forms of speech when they have once become customary may be retained, even after the occasion for them has ceased to exist. The later known inscriptions of the Śilâra family contain no reference to the Rāshtrakûṭas.

⁵ With malagala-ganda compare malaparolu-ganda, 'the hero among the hill-chiefs'; Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. p. 304, note S.— [Perhaps malagala is meant for malegala, gen. plur. of male, 'a hill.'— E. H.]

⁶ With ganda-Kandarpa compare, e.g., Ratta-Kandarpa, ib. Vol. XII. p. 256, and ganda-Mahéndra, ib. Vol. XX. p. 269.

⁷ Sataja Vidyadhara may also mean 'by nature a Vidyadhara;' compare sahaja Makaradhaaja, ib. Vol. XIX. p. 247, l. 90.

⁸ With this title, for which I cannot offer any suitable explanation, compare Sanirdra-siddhi, page 208 above, note 5.— [The two birudas might mean 'one who is victorious' and 'one who is successful (even) on (an unlucky day like) Saturday.' Compare the curious surname Nidratashna-rijayin, page 71 above, note 1.— E. H.]

hands of the superintending people of the town of Guṇapura (?), the merchants Ambû-śrêshthin and Vâppaiya-śrêshthin, the priest (bhôjaka) Chêlappaiyu, the Brâhmaṇa Gôvanaiya, and others, and having worshipped with pure faith Hari (Vishṇu), Hara (Śiva), Hiraṇyagarbha (Brahman), Agni, and other gods,— gave the village of Bhâdâna, in the Mâhirihâra vishaya of Konkaṇa which contains 1,400 villages, . . . to (the temple of) the illuminator of the three worlds, the holy god Lôṇâditya at Lavaṇêtaṭa, for the purpose of providing flowers, perfumes, lights, offerings of eatables, public shows, etc., and for keeping the doors and other parts (of the temple) in proper repair.'

The village of Bhâdâna, so granted, (according to lines 57-62) was bounded on the north by a bhinnâra (?) field of the village of Padigaha, on the west by (the village of) Âsachchhadì, on the south by the great river Murula, and on the east by the river Kumbhârî; and was given with its rows of trees, up to its proper boundaries, with the udranga and parikara, with the exception of what had been previously given to gods and Brâhmanas, but together with (the fines imposed for the commission of) certain great and lesser offences, and with the privilege that it was not to be entered by the irregular or regular troops.

Lines 66-82 contain the usual injunction to preserve this grant intact, threaten with spiritual punishment those who might interfere with its provisions, and quote seven of the ordinary benedictive and imprecatory verses. The inscription then (in line 82) continues thus:— 'In confirmation of the above, the Mahāmanḍalēśvara, the glorious Aparājitadēvarāja, has it put down (here) by the writer's hand that this is his decree, (in the words) "such is my decree, that of the glorious Aparājitadēvarāja," (issued) while by the glorious king's appointment the illustrious Sangalaiya is Mahāmātya¹ and the illustrious Sîhappaiya Mahāsāndhivigrahika. This charter has been written at the direction of Sangalaiya (?) by his son and deputy Annappaiya. It is deposited at Sthānaka. Everything without exception that is written here, be it right or wrong, should be regarded as authoritative.'

Lines 87-89 then record an additional settlement by which the town (it is not clear which town⁷) was to give every year 260 drammas, I do not understand for what exact purpose. And the inscription ends with the words 'bliss, great fortune.'

The date of this inscription is not quite regular. In Saka-Samvat 919 expired, which by the southern luni-solar system was the Jovian year Hêmalamba, the Dakshinâyana (Karkata) Samkrânti took place 22 h. 13 m. after mean sunrise of the 24th June, A.D. 997, during the second tithi of the dark half of the amânta Âshâdha; and the fourth tithi of the dark half of the same Âshâdha commenced 0 h. 43 m. and ended 21 h. 52 m. after mean sunrise of the 26th June, A.D. 997. Judging by a large number of other dates, any rite specially connected with the Samkrânti should in this case have been performed on the 25th June, and this day should have been described in the text as the second of the dark half, both because the second tithi ended on it, 3 h. 7 m. after mean sunrise, and because the Samkrânti took place during that tithi. As no week-day is given, it is impossible to say whether the 25th or the 26th June, A.D. 997, is the exact day of the grant.

¹ This word is used here as elsewhere for the more common uparikara; compare, e.g., page 109 above, note 7.

² The first balf of line 61 of the text I do not fully understand; kumári-sákasa (if this be the correct reading) would of course be 'violence offered to a girl,'

The term of the original (in line 84) is érévi(bi)rudaka-rôja, 'the king who has éré as his biruda.' Compare the expression érévirudâmka (?), used with reference to Aparâjita in As. Res. Vol. I. p. 357, last line of the lithograph, and Ind. Ant. Vol. IX. p. 34, I. 33.

^{*} i.e. 'great minister.'

⁵ i.e. 'great minister for peace and war;' a Sîhapaiya is mentioned as minister for peace and war in the Bhindap grant of Chhittarājadêva of Śaka-Samvat 948, Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 278.

i.s. the original of it, of which the copper-plates furnish a copy.

⁷ In all probability it was Gunapura.

Of the localities and rivers mentioned in the inscription. Bhâdâna-grâma clearly is the village of 'Bhadanah' or 'Badana' of the maps, about nine miles east by north from Bhiwandi Two miles north of it is the village of 'Padgha' or 'Padghe' or 'Padgheh,' the Padigahagrams of the grant; and east of it is a small river, the 'Kumbari' or 'Kombaree,' the Kumbhari of the inscription. This river flows into the Ulhas, which, flowing generally from northeast to south-west, might fairly be called the southern boundary of Bhâdâna, and is no doubt the great river Murula of the grant. The maps do not shew anything corresponding to the ancient village of Asachchhadî, which was on the west of Bhadana. Lavanetata is the modern village of Lônâd, six miles south-east of Bhiwandi and half a mile north of the Ulhâs river, a place where there are many ruins of ancient temples; and Sthanaka or Śri-Sthanaka of course is the town of Thana. The town of Gunapura (?) and the place from which the Mahirihara vishava was called, I am unable to identify.

TEXT.2

First Plate

- $0 \dot{m}^3$ Ômi namô Vinâvakâya II Sa4 vô≈vvâd=Vêdhasâ dhaimai vankritam [1*] Haraś-cha vasva kânâbhi-kamalam
- 11 [1*] 2 nt-êmdu-kalavâ kam=alamkritam Kurvvantv=âmnâya-pûtâni Vêdhasô vadanâny=alama(m) [|*] charâchara-ja-
- gat-srishti-nâma-dhâmâni su(śu)bham 11 [2*] 5Âśî(sî)d=Gôvindarajah vah kshitipa[ti*]-tilakah Karkkaraja-
- 4 s=tatô=bhûd=bhû-bharttâ śr-Îndraraja[h*] punar=abha[va]d=atô Dantivarm-êti sûnuḥ [|*] khyâtaḥ śrî-Krishṇarâja[h*]
- 5 kshapita-ripur-abhût-Karkkarâjasya sûnuh⁶ tasmâd=Gôvindarâjas=tad=anu tadanujah śrî-Dhruv-ânkô(nkô)=dhi-
- 6 râjah || [3*] 7Jagattumgâ(gô)=mgajas=tasya gugôttudgô8=bhavat=tatah | Durlabhô= môghavarshasa(ś=cha) Krishnarajapa(s=ta)-
- śrîmân=Indradevas=tatô=bhavat [|*] || [4*] Jagattumg-âmgajah 7 tah sutah Nityamvarshô9 bhuyô bharttâ vikram-ôtum(ttum)-
- varshan=ghane ¹⁰Jana-harsha-kritê ga-lakshitah 11 [5*] iva ghana-kanaka-vâridhârâbhis=11tasmâd=Amôghavarshô
- 19Tasy=ânujô Harir=iv=ô[ddh?]u[ra?]varsh-âvadhi râjya-bhâjanô 11 [6*] bhûtala-śrîr=Gôvimdarâja-nara-
- 10 nåtha-Suvarnnavarshah sa[n-*]na[m]dakå(kô)=chyuva(ta)-sudarśana-chakra-[|*] chihnah si mhasani guru-va (ba) lah purushôtta-
- | [7*] Pitrivyah 13 Svarnnavarshasya Nityamvarsh-anujas-chiram 11 mô=bhût kurvann=akamtaka[m] râjyam tapasâ sâha-
- cha 11 [8*] Tasmåd=bhûpatêh14 sûnur=Vvaddigadêyê 12 sêna nripô=bhavat Rajarajô su(ma)nôharî Manmathô=

¹ See the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. XIV. p. 211 ff. 3 From impressions prepared by Dr. Fleet.

³ Expressed by a symbol. 5 Metre : Sragdha: 8.

Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the next verse. 6 Read sunus=ta0.

⁷ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the next verse.

⁸ Read gun ôttung 6.

⁹ So this name is clearly written both here and below.

¹¹ Read -dharabhin | . 10 Metre : Gîti.

¹² Metre: Vasantatilaka.

¹⁸ Metre: Śloka (Anushtubh); and of the next verse.

¹⁴ The reading is quite clear here in the original, but there must be something wrong in the text. Instead of tasmad=bhapaten one would have expected Jagattungerya. The Kharepatan plates in line 13 also describe Vaddiga as Jagattumga-tunayah.

- 13 pi cha drišyatê || [9*] Atha¹ gatavati tasmin=Vaddigê[m*]drê narôdra³ suvimalam=api Śambhôr=dvâ(ddhâ)ma suja³
- 14 vidhâtum [|*] kanaka-kalasa-dhârâ-dhauta-pât=êva4 kanyâ tad=anu narapati-śrîḥ Krishnarâjam samâgât || [10*]
- 15 5Asminn=astamitê visau(bhau) vidhi-vasâ(śâ)d=âkrânta-bhûmaṇḍalê lôk-âhlâdini sa(śa)ttru-pamjara-ru-
- 16 dhi⁶ shrô(prô)t kṛishṭa-rôchishmati [|*] sîtâsâv=''iva su(su)bhra-pu[m*]ja-dhavalê râjâdhirâjê tataḥ śrîmat-Khoṭṭi[ga]-
- 17 dêva ity=abhidhayâ râjya-sthitô bhûpatiḥ || [11*] *Tad=anu Madana-mûrtti[m*] bhâgya-sô(sau)bhâgya-bhâja[m]
- 18 bhuvana-bhavana-dîpam suprasûta-prasûti[m |*] Nirupa[ma*]-nripa-sûnum Kakkalêsam(śam) narêmdram narapa-

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- 19 ti-kṛita-sêvam rāja-lakshmîr-jjagâma || [12*] ⁹ Tasmin-narêmdrê nṛipati-pradîyê(pê) prachaṇḍa-T[ai]lappa-[sa]-
- 20 mîranêna samprâpitê=jyôti[r=alam ?]10 vivriddhê ka[th-âva]bhâsê11 sati Raṭṭa-râjyê || @ || [13*]
- 21 ½Jîmûtakêtu-tanayê[s]vatatâra yê=smin¹³ Jimûtavâhana iti prathitaḥ pṛithivyâm [[*] Śi[lā]-
- 22 ra-vainsa(śa)-tilakah sva-śarîra-dânât=trâtâ hi lôkam=anaghaś=cha Garutmataḥ saḥ¹⁴ || [14*] ¹⁵Abhavad=a[hi]-
- 23 ta-marddî tasya vamsê(sê) Kaparddî dalita-ripu-kadamva(mba)h prâninâm prânadah sah ||(|) samera-sarana(ni)-
- 24 gôptâ kâmû(Pnta)-kântâsu Kâmaḥ sujana-vadanapadm-ônnidra-bhâsvân=ataṁ[dra]ḥ
 || [15*] Vipula-mati[r=udî]rṇṇaḥ
- 25 Karnnavat-svarnna-varshaih sapulaka-Pulasaktir=ddharma-yuktas=tatô=bhût || (|) abhavad=iha na dînas=tasya sûnuh Kapa-
- 26 rddî jita-para-va(ba)la-daṇḍ-âkhaṇḍa-pṛithvî-taraṇḍaḥ || [16*] ¹⁶Jhaṁjha-nâmâ sutas=tasmâd=Va[ppu]vannâd¹⁷=abhûd=asau ||(|) udi[tô]-
- 27 ditatâ yêna vamsasya prakaţîkritâ || [17*] Bhrâtâ¹⁸ tatô vivu(bu)dha-ratnaguṇ-aika-kôśaḥ pûjyaḥ payôdhir=iva ra-
- 28 kshita-gôtra-pakshaḥ | lakshmî-nidhiḥ Sagararâja-patha-pravrittaḥ śrî-Goggirâja iti sa[t*]tva-samâśrayô=bhû-
- 29 t || [18*] ¹⁹Pâd-âkrânta-kṛi(mṛi?)t-âri-vargga-vanitâ-vyâkshipta-nidrâ-sukhaḥ sa śrî-Vajjaḍadêva-bhûpatir=abhût=tasy=â-

- 4 Read -gatr=éva. 5 Metre: Śardúlavikrídita.
- ⁶ This reading is quite clear in the original, but I doubt its being correct. In the place of rudhi I should have expected a substantive, expressing that from which Krishnaråja derived additional splendour. Perhaps we should read ruchi, and assume that Krishnaråja had been imprisoned by one of his opponents.
 - 7 Read śłtdinśav=. 8 Metre: Malini. 9 Metre: Upajati.
- 10 I am very doubtful about the correctness of the two aksharas in these brackets. The first of them is nearly illegible, and the second looks rather like ta or tê
 - 11 I should have expected here kath-dvaséshé.
 - Metre: Vasantatilaka. 13 Read = smin=Jio.
- 14 [These words allude to a legend which is told in the Kathdsaritsågara, taranga xxii., and which forms the subject of the drama Nagananda.— E. H.]
 - ¹⁸ Metre: Malini; and of the next verse.

 ¹⁸ Metre: Slôka (Anushtubh).
 - 17 The second akshara of this name, which I read ppu, might possibly be read tpu.
 - 18 Metre: Vasantatilaka. The first word looks in the original rather like srato.
 - 19 Metre : Sardûlavikiîdita.

¹ Metre : Målini.

Read narêmdrê.

Read śubhram (?).

विज्ञाला विज्ञाद का स्थार विश्व है ना विज्ञाह के स्थार के स्वार के स्थार क

(त्या हिन्दा निकास निका

- 30 tmajô bhûbhujaḥ [[(]) dân-ânaṁdita-vandi-vṛinda-vadanair=âva(ba)ddha-kôlâhalô yasya tyâga-mahôtsava-vṛi(vya)-
- 31 [ti]karô n=âdy=âpi vi[śr]âmyati || [19*] ¹Anavarata-dâna-śîlaḥ pratâpavân=nîti-vid=yasô(śô)-nilayaḥ | sû-
- 32 nus=tasya Mṛigânka(nka)ḥ śrîmân=Aparâjitô jataḥ || [20*] ⁹Krûr-ârâti-Yamaḥ sukîrtti-bhavanam kalpa-dru[ma]ḥ prâ-
- 33 rthinâm sthânam nêtra-mu(su)khasya vai(dhai)rya-jaladhih saukhyasya kandâmkurah [|*] sad-vidyâ-nilayah kalâ-ma[dhu]-sa-
- 34 rin=nîtau cha Vâchaspatih sadva(ddha)rma-druma-bhûmir=uttama-matir=Lakshmînivâs-âsyadah³ || [21*] 4Vis[rita]-ma[t]i-
- 35 vivêkî⁵ dharma-tannishtha-chittî⁵ vai(vi)[vu(bu)]dha-jana-nishêvyaḥ sa(śa)ttrunô(mâ)ttr[ê*] savairyaḥ [|*] sakala-guṇa-ni[vâ]saḥ
- 36 prârthinâm pûrit-âsô(śô) ripuvara-kari-si[m]hô râja-dhuryah prasiddhah || [22*] Ruchira-sutanu-bhâsah(sa-)prô[lla]-
- 37 sat-sanni[vê?]saḥ(śô) nirupama-nija-kîrttiḥ(tti-)[vy]âpta-lôkatrayô yaḥ [|*] api śa(sa)kala-kalânâm≈â[śra]yô

Second Plate; Second Side.

- 38 nikka(shka)lamkô mahita-charita-bhâgyaḥ sâdhit-âsêsha-sa(sa)ttruḥ || [23*] Yasya⁶ pratâya(pa)-tâpita-dushṭâ sa ⁷
- 39 na vidyatê sa(śa)ttruh [|*] bhûyô(pô)=nyô râja-guṇair=mahitair=âstâm tadabhyadhikah || @ || [24*] Iti pûrvvam śrî-Mâ-
- 40 nyakhêtak-âvâsita-paramabhapû (ttâ) raka-mahârâj [â*] dhirâja-paramês vara-śrî mat-Krishnarâjadêva-pâ-
- 41 dânudhyâta-paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-śrîmat-**Khoṭṭigadêva-**pâdanu-dhyâ[ta*]-
- 42 paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêsva (śva)ra-śrîmat-Kakkaladêva-samjâta-vyapâya-nashṭa-bhrashṭa-
- 43 Raṭṭa-râjyê sva-têjô-nubhâvât samadhigatapamchamahâśavda(bda)-mahâsâmantâdhipati-Tagarapura-pa-
- 44 ramêsva (śva) ra-Śilâra-narêmdra-Jimûtavâhan-ânvayaprasûta-Suvarṇṇaga r n ḍ a d h v a j Âbhimânamahôdadhi-Ma-
- 45 lagalaganda-Gandakamdarppa-Sahajavidhyâdhara-⁸Aparadigvadhûtilaka-Nannisam u d r a -Pratâpamârtta-
- 46 nda-Sanivâravijay⁹-âdi-samastarâjâvalîsamalamkrita-mahâmandalêsva (s v a) r a-s r î m a d-Aparâji-
- 47 tadôvarâjaḥ sarvvânn=êva¹0 yathâsamva(mba)dhyamânna(na)kân(n=) âgâmi-grâmabhôktri-sâmanta-râjapu-
- 48 tra-purapati-tri(tri)vargga-sthâna-prabhriti-pradhân-âpradhâna-janô(nâ)n praṇati-pûjâsamâdai(dê)śaiḥ samanu-
- 49 vô(bô)dhayaty¹¹=astu vaḥ samviditam yathâ || Chalâ¹² vibhûtiḥ kshaṇa-bhamgi vanvanam Kritânta-dant-ântara va-

¹ Metre : Âryâ.

Metre : Śārdůlavikrídita.

^{*} Read -åspadam.

dam. Metre: Mâlinî.

⁵ Read -virêkô and -chittô. I believe tannishtha to be used here in the sense of tatpara.

Metre: Âryâ. 7 Read -dusht

⁷ Read -dushtasya samb (?). 8 Read odhar-Apara'.

⁹ Read - Sani. 10 Rend sarvván=6va.

[&]quot; Originally "yati or "yatyi was engraved, but the sign for i is struck out.

m Metre : Vamsastha.

- 50 jîvita m |*| tath-âpy-avajñâ para-lôka-sâdhanê nrinam=ahò vismaya-kâri vê(chê)shtitam || saka-
- 51 lam=êtad=asâratay=âdhishthitam vinasva(śva)ra-svabhâvam dharma êv=aikah sahâyah sâ(śâ)sva(śva)taś=ch=ai(ê)ti ki(vi)-
- pitrôr=[ai*]hik-âmushmika-phal-âvâptayê(ya) chimty=asmabhir=ayam âtmanaś=cha punya-yasô(śô)-bhivriddha-
- 53 γê ||1Sa(śa)kanripa-kâl-âtîta-samvatsara-2sa(śa)têshu navasu(sv=) êkônavimśaty-uttareshu pravarttamâ-
- 54 na-Hêmalamva(mba)-samvatsar-3ânta Âshâdha-va(ba)hula-chatusyâm(rthyâm=) anka(nka)tô=pi samvat4 919 Âshâḍha-vadi 4
- 55 śrì-Sthânakê samavasthitasya śrimatò rájňah prastâvê samjata-dakshinayanakarkkata-sa[m]krânti-
- parvvani su(śu)bh-abhyudaya-karini chaturddaśagramaśat-ôpalakshita-Konka(nka)nântahpáti-**Mâ-**
- hirihâra-vishay-ânna(nta)rvva[r*]ti-Bhâdâna-grâmô yasya ch=âghâtanâni(ny=) uttaratah Padigaha-grâ-

Third Plate; First Side.

- mîya-[bh?]innâra-kshêtra-maryâdâ paśchimataḥ⁵ Âsachchhadî-maryâdâ dakshinataḥ⁶ Murula-mahâna-
- pûrvvatah 59dî Kumbhari-nadi-maryada⁷ êvam nikata-chatur-âghâtan-ôpalakshitah savrikshamâ-
- 60 lâkulah svasîmâ-paryantah sí dramgah saparikarah pûrvvadatta-dêvadâyavra(bra)hmadâya-varja[m*]
- nidhâ[n]âlîpaka[ḥ ?]⁸kumârô(rî)sâhas-âputrâdi[dha?]na-pradhân-âpradhâna-dôsha-samanvitah9 achâtabha-
- 62 tta(ta)pravê[s]yah¹⁰ jaga[t*]tray-ô[d*]dyôtakarâya Lavanêtata-nivâsinê śm-Lônadityadêvaya pushpa-
- [dhû]na(pa)-dîpa-naivêdya-prêkshaṇak-âdy-upabhôgârtham 11khanda-sphatika-sphutitadvâr-âdi-jîrnnôdvâ(ddhâ)râ[rtham*]
- $64 \quad cha^{12} \quad Amvû (mbû) srê(śrê) shthi-Vâppaiyû (ya)^{13} srê(śrê) shthi-vanika (k)-Chêlappaiyubhôjaka-like ($ vipraGôvanaiy-âdi-Guṇapaura(?)-14
- 65 nagar-âdhishthita-hastôdakam vidhâya Hari-Hara-Hiranyagarbha-Dahan-âdîn dêvân(n=) amala-śra[ddha]-
- sampûjya $_{
 m cha}$ putra-pautr-âdy-upabhôga-vrittitvêna уâ 66 grâmah sampradattas= ta[m?] dastamôchamdr-15ârkka-kâla-ma-
- yasvi(thê?)chchh-âchâ[r]ê[na] bhumjatô bhôjayatô ha(kri)shatah karshayatô vâ na kên=âpi paripa[ntha]-

¹ This sign of punctuation is superfinous.

² Read -sameatsara -. 3 Read -samvatsar-; one would expect here -samvatsar-antargat-Ashadha-.

[·] Read samtat. 5 Read omata.

Read onato. 7 Read od=aivam; the word maryada (after nadi) appears superfluous.

⁸ This sign of visarga appears to have been originally omitted and to have been added afterwards. I do not understand the sense of the original text.

⁹ Read "tô=cha". 10 Read vesus.

¹¹ The word sphatika appears to be entirely out of place here.

Bead ch=Âmbû°.

¹³ This correction appears to have been made in the original.

Is I am almost certain that the three lines which denote as have been struck out in the original, and believe the intended name to be Gunapura.

¹⁸ Read ottah | am dattam=d-chamdr-(?).

- 68 nâ kâryâ ki[m*] tarhi sarvvad=aiva Bhâdâna-grâmaḥ śrî-Lônâdityadêvâya pradatta iti mantavya[m]
- 69 [n]=âtra vishayê parasparam=anyatô vâ parilamghanâ vidhâtavyâ [||*] Tad=idam dharma-dânam=â-chamdr-ârkka-
- 70 kâlam sthâyi samâgâmi-nṛipatibhir=asmad-vamśajair=anyair=vvâ¹ asat-karma-ga[m]bhîra-darî-prapâta-
- 71 bhaya-[bh]îrubhiḥ² jvalad-anala-sphulimga-sahasra-bhîpa(sha)[n]-âvîchi-ni[ra*]ya-pratâpa-vêdan-âgama-śa[m]vi(ki)-
- 72 bhi[h*] sarvvair=api pratipâlanîyam [sa?]tkarttachya(vya)m=anuma[m*]tavya[m] cha | yô v=âjñâna-timira-paṭal-âvṛita-mati-
- 73 r=âchchhimdyâd=âchchhidyamâna[m] [v]=ânum[ôda]yati sa êva pamchabhir= mahâpâtakair=upapâtakê(kai)ś=cha samyuktô
- 74 bhavati || Uktam cha bhagavatâ Vyâs[ê]na || Shashṭim³ varsha-sahasrâṇi svarggê tishthati bhûmi-dah | âchchhêtta(ttâ)
- 75 ch=â[nu]mamtâ cha tâny=ê[va] narakam vrajêt || Vimdhy-âṭavîshv=atôyâsu su(śu)shka-kôṭara-vâsinah | mahâha-
- 76 yô hi jâyantê bhûmidân-âpahârakâḥ || Sva-dattâm para-dattâm=vâ⁴ yô harêd=vasumdharâ[m |*] hana(ra)n=naraka-
- 77 m=âpnôtî yâvad-âhûtasamplavam || ⁶Agnêr=apatyam prathamam suvarṇṇa[m*] bhûr=Vaishṇavî Sûrya-sutâs=cha gâ-

Third Plate; Second Side.

- 78 vaḥ [|*] lôka-trayam têna bhavêd=vi(dhi) dattam yaḥ kâncha(ncha)nam gâ[m*] cha mahîm [cha*] dadyât || 6Va(ba)hubhir=vvasudhâ bhu[ktâ] râja-
- 79 bhih Sagar-âdibhih [|*] yasya yasya yadâ bhûmitta(s=ta)sya tasya tadâ phalam || ⁷Sarvvân=êtân=bhâvinah pâ-
- 80 rthiv-êmdrân bhûyô bhûyô yâchatê Râmabhadraḥ [|*] sâmânyô=yam⁸ dharmasêtur=nṛipāṇâm kâlê kâlê pâ-
- 81 lanîyô bhavadbhih || ⁹Mad-vamsajâh para-mahîpati-vamsa(sa)jâ vâ yâ(pâ)yâ(pâ)d= ayê(pê)ta-manasô bhuvi bhâvi-
- 82 bhûpâḥ [|*] yê yâ(pâ)layanti mama dharmam=ida[m*] samastam têshâm=n vâ¹⁰ vinihê(hi)tô=[nja]lir=êsha sû(mû)rddhni || Yathâ ch=ai-
- 83 tad=êvam tathâ hi mahâmaṇḍalêśvara-śrîmad-Aparâjitadêvarâjô lêkhaka-hastêna sva-matam=â-
- 84 rôpayati mata[m*] mama śrîmad-**Apar**âjitadêvarâjasya | ll śrîvi(bi)rudaka-râjaniyamât(n=) mahâ-
- 85 mâtya-śrî-Samgalaiyê mahâsânvi(ndhi)vigrahika-śrî-Sîhappaiyê cha sati || Samgavaiya-sûnunâ¹² sa[m]-
- 86 jât-âbhyanujñêna pratihastaka-Annappaiyêna¹³ sâ(śâ)sanam=idam likhitam tach=cha Sthânakê dhruvam ||

¹ Read =vv=ásat-.

² Read obhir=.

Metre: Ślôka (Anushṭubh); and of the two next verses.

^{*} Read -dattam vd y6 harêta va°.
5 Metre: Indravajrâ.

⁶ Metre: Sloka (Anushtobh). 7 Metre: Sâlinî.

⁸ After this akshara is engraved a sign which looks like the sign of the avagraha, and which probably was meant to be placed before yam.

⁹ Metre: Vasantatilakå. 10 Read têshâm mayd.

¹¹ This sign of punctuation appears to have been struck out.

h Samgavaiya- is probably erroneously put for Samgalaiya ..

¹⁸ Rend "stak-Anna".



In C. line 1, śri of śri-Kannara; dé at the beginning of 1.2; 1.3, śri-Mūlastā^o (for Mūlasthā^o); śa at the end of 1.5; 1.6, otr-ūditya (for odr-ūditya), pa of pan, Mūhéśvara, and rakshai; 1.7, ge of Gengai; 1.9, sabhai.

In D. l. 2, de of dêva; śri-Mūlastā° (for Mūlastā°) at the end of l. 4; bhū of bhūmi at the beginning of l. 9; l. 10, agni; l. 11, sabhai; l. 12, dravya and šantr-ādi° (for chandr-ādi°); l. 13, tta of °ttarum and °dharmma (for °ddharma); l. 14, rakshi and °dha[rmma] (for °ddharma); ge and gai of Gengai at the beginning of l. 15; the second pa of pāpa in l. 16.

A .-- INSCRIPTION OF RAJAKESARIVARMAN.

This inscription is dated in the 27th year of the reign of Rajakesarivarman, and records the renewal of a grant which had been made by a king called Skandasishya and confirmed by another king, Vâtâpi konda Naraśimgappôttaraiyar. Skandaśishya is probably synonymous with Skandavarman, a name which occurs repeatedly in the genealogy of an early branch of the Pallavas, whose grants are dated from Palakkada, Dasanapura and Kâñchîpura. Though we have no materials for identifying this king, yet it is certain that he was one of the predecessors of the other Pallava king who is mentioned in the inscription. Naraśimgappôttaraiyar,3 which is a Tamil form of the Sanskrit name of the Pallava king Narasimhayarman. The epithet Vâtâpi konda, 'who took Vâtâpi,' which is given to the king, enables us to identify him with certainty with the Pallava king Narasimhavarman I. who is described both in the Kûram plates of Paramêśvaravarman I.4 and in the Udayêndiram plates of Nandivarman Pallavamalla⁵ as the destroyer of Vâtâpi and as the enemy of Pulikêšin (II.) alias Vallabharâja. The Singhalese chronicle Mahâvamsa also refers to this war between Narasimha and Vallabha, in which Manavamma, one of the claimants to the kingdom of Ceylon, who was then residing in India, rendered substantial service to the Pallava king.6 The Periyapuranam, a Tamil work which narrates the lives of the sixty-three devotees of Siva, and some of the statements made in which have been confirmed by recent epigraphical discoveries,7 refers to the destruction of Vâtâpi in the account of the life of one of the devotees, viz. Siruttonda-Nâyanâr. It is reported that this devotee, who was originally a military man, "reduced to dust the old city of Vâtâpi" for his master, whose name is not given, but who must undoubtedly have been the Pallava king Narasimhavarman I. who destroyed Vâtâpi according to the Pallava inscriptions.

According to the *Periyapurânam*, Śirnttonḍa-Nâyaṇâr was visited at his own village by the great Śaiva devotee Tiruñânasambandar, and the latter mentions Śiruttonḍa by name in one of his hymns. Thus Tiruñânasambandar was a contemporary of a general of the Pallava king Narasimhavarman I., whose enemy was the Western Chalukya king Pulikêsin II. The

² [Pôta in Sanskrit and pôtts in Tamil mean 'the sprout (of a plant)' and are thus synonymous with pallava, 'a sprout,' from which the Amarâvatî pillar inscription (South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. No. 32, verse 8), derives the name of Pallava, the supposed ancestor of the Pallava dynasty.—E. H.]

^{*} South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 152.

Salem Manual, Vol. II. p. 359.

⁶ L. C. Wijesinha's Translation, pp. 41 to 43.

⁷ See South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. Nos. 29, 40 and 43. In No. 40, there is a distinct reference to the traditional account of the life of Meypporunayanar, one of the sixty-three devotees, as preserved in the Periyapuranam; and the various images that in Nos. 29 and 43 are said to have been set up, show clearly that the account of the lives of Chandesvara and Sîrâladêvar, respectively, as preserved in the Periyapuranam, must have been generally known during the time of Râjarâjadêva.

Vádávi-tton-nagaran=tugaļ-ága; Śêkkilâr's Periyapurdņam, Madras edition of 1870, Part II. p. 316, were 6.

^{*} ibid. p. 318, verses 23 and 24.

approximate date derived from this synchronism for the great devotee is confirmed by the fact that he was a younger contemporary of another devotee, called Tirunavukkaraiyar or Appar, who was first persecuted and then patronised by an unnamed Pallava king. One of this king's surnames appears to have been Gunadhara, because a feudatory of his is said to have built a temple of Śiva and called it Guṇadaravîchcharam, i.e. Guṇadhara-Īśvara, probably after his overlord. In an archaic inscription in the cave at Vallam near Chingleput, which will be published in South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. Part III., reference is made to a king called Mahêndrapôtarâja alias Gunabhara, whom Dr. Hultzsch has identified with either of the two Mahêndravarman's mentioned in the Udayêndiram plates of Nandivarman Pallavamalla.² As the difference between the names Gunadhara and Gunabhara is very slight, Mahêndrapôtarâja alias Gunabhara of the Vallam inscription may be identified with Gunadhara, who, according to the Periyapuranam, first persecuted and then patronised Tirunavukkaraiyar. As this devotee was an elder contemporary of Tiruñanasambandar, who, as I have shown, lived during the time of the Pallava king Narasimhavarman I., it is clear that the Mahêndrapôtarâja alias Gunabhara of the Vallam inscription, whom I propose to identify with the Gunadhara of the Periyapuranam, could only be Mahêndravarman I., the father of Narasimhavarman I.3 Thus we arrive at the conclusion that the two great Saiva devotees Tirunavukkaraiyar and Tiruñânasambandar, whose time has been the subject of controversy for a long time,4 were contemporaries of the two Pallava kings Mahêndravarman I. and Narasimhavarman I., respectively. This result is important for the history of Tamil literature, as it fixes the date of two thirds of the collection of Saiva hymns, which goes by the name of Dévâram and which is ascribed to Tirunavukkaraiyar, Tirunanasambandar, and Sundaramurti-Nayanar. The date of the last of the three authors cannot yet be settled; but he must have been later than the two others, because he refers to them by name in the hymn which is known as the Tirutton dattogai.5

As regards the king Rājakêsarivarman during whose reign the subjoined inscription was engraved, we do not possess sufficient data for his identification. The name Rājakêsarivarman suggests that the king was a Chôla, because the names Rājakêsarin and Parakêsarin are said to have been borne alternately by the Chôla kings⁶ and are actually applied to a large number of them in their inscriptions.⁷ The archaic characters in which the subjoined inscription is engraved, show that, if the king was a Chôla, he was probably not a successor but an ancestor of Parântaka I. This conclusion is supported by the comparatively frequent occurrence of the virâma or, as it is called in Tamil, the pulli, which is marked in no less than twenty cases in this short inscription, while in a pretty long inscription of Madirai koṇḍa Parakêsarivarman, i.e. Parântaka I., the pulli occurs only five times.⁸ The occasional occurrence of the pulli has been noticed also in two other archaic inscriptions, but this sign is never met with in the inscriptions

² Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1892-93, p. 2, paragraph 7.

¹ ibid. Part I. p. 184, verses 145 and 146.

³ See the Table of synchronisms on page 11 of South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I.

Madras Christian College Magazine, Vol. IX. Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 9.

⁵ i. e. 'the list of the devotees (of Siva).' Sundaramûrti is said to have sung this hymn in the temple at Timurârûr.

⁶ Archæological Survey of Southern India, Vol. IV. p. 206, l. 19 f.

⁷ See Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1891-92, pp. 4 to 6.

⁸ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 113.

⁹ In the Tamil portion of the Kûram plates of Paramésvaravarman I., published in South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I., the pulli occurs in combination with seven letters of the Tamil alphabet. In the inscription of Nandippôttaraiyan, published in the Madras Christian College Magazine, Vol. VIII. p. 98 ff., the pulli is marked in six cases. In these two inscriptions as well as in the one quoted in the preceding note, the pulli is denoted by a vertical stroke placed over the letter, while, in the Tirukkalukkunram inscription of Rajakêsarivarman, it is denoted by a peculiar crooked line which is not always uniform in its course.

of Râjarâjadêva and in all subsequent Tamil inscriptions. Assuming that the cessation of the employment of the pulli was gradual, the comparative frequency of its occurrence may be used as an argument to establish the priority of the present inscription to the time of Parântaka I. Again, in the subjoined inscription, the upper horizontal strokes peculiar to certain Tamil letters are represented by slight curves opening upwards, which remind of similar curves in the corresponding letters of the Sanskrit inscriptions of the Pallava kings Rajasimha and Mahêndrayarman at Conjeeveram. On palæographical grounds we must, therefore, conclude that this is one of the oldest Tamil inscriptions yet discovered, though we cannot ascertain even its approximate date. The contents of the inscription do not furnish any materials for this purpose. Râjakêsarivarman renewed, at the request of a certain Puttan (i.e. Buddha), a grant which had been made by Skandasishya and confirmed by Narasimhavarman, both of whom are spoken of as "former kings" (pûrva-râjâkka!). It is not said what the nature of the grant was that had originally been made by Skandasishya, nor do we learn the circumstances that led to the petition (vinnappam) of Puttan for a renewal of the grant. But so much is certain that, at the time of Rajakesarivarman, a portion of the Pallava dominions had passed into the hands of the Chôlas.

In this and in the following three inscriptions, Tirukkalukkunram is said to have been situated in Kalattûr-kôţṭam and "in the subdivision (kûru) called after itself." In the Appendix to his Manual of the Chingleput District, Mr. Crole gives a list of kôţṭams with the subdivisions contained in some of them. Among the former he mentions "Kallattur-kottam" in the Chingleput tâlukâ, which is evidently identical with the Kalattûr-kôṭṭam of the Tirukkalukkunram inscriptions.

TEXT.

1	Svasti ² śrî	[1]*]	Kôv=Irâjakêsariparmma[r*]kku			yâṇḍu	i.
2	rubatt-êļâvadu	[*]	3	(a[ļa]ttûr-kl	côțțattu=ti	an	kûrru=
3	[T]tirukkalukku	nrattu ³	śr î-M ûla	sthânattu	pe	rumân	a-
4	di[galu]kku	ir[ai]y-iliy	y=âga	S kandaśi	shyan ⁴	kuḍut	tamaiyi-
5	[l a]ppa[di]ye	}	Pâdâvi ⁵	koṇḍa	,	N araśi m	gappôt-
6	taraiyarum	appariś	ê	rakshittam	aiyil	Aņc	luraiya-
7	n Gunav	van mag	an P	uttaņ	viņņappa		pûrvva-
8	râjâkkaļ ⁶	[vai]tta	padi	yê ⁷	vaittên(n)=Irâjakê[s	sa]ripa-8
9	rmman-ên [*] i-ddharm	mam raks	nittân adi	е <u>п</u>	mudi mê	lina 🍴

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Hail! Prosperity! In the twenty-seventh year (of the reign) of king Rajakêsariyarman.

(L. 2.) "Whereas Skandasishya had given (certain land) free from taxes to the feet of the god of the holy Mûlasthâna (temple) at Tirukkalukkunram in Kalattûr-kôttam (and) in

¹ The actual name of this subdivision was probably Tirukkalukkunga-kûgu.

² The aksharas from sva of svasti to ja of raja are engraved over an erasure.

^{*} Above the tu of kunrattu is engraved some letter which looks like the modern Tamil ia, and over the word Mülasthana, the modern Tamil numeral 'twenty-one.'

^{*} The engraver had originally written sya instead of si and then partially erased the y.

 $^{^5}$ The reading $V\acute{a}d\acute{a}vi$ or $V\acute{a}t\acute{a}pi$ is also possible; Pådåvi, Vådåvi and Våtåpi are ancient names of Bådåmi in the Bombay Presidency.

^{*} The aksharas from jd to l appear to be engraved over an erasure.

⁷ Over the pa of padi, the modern Tamil numeral 'five' seems to be engraved.

⁸ The engraver had originally written ja instead of sa and then corrected only the bottom, leaving the top as it stood.

the subdivision called after itself, (and) as, accordingly, Naraśingappôttaraiyar, the conqueror of Vâtâpi, had confirmed (the grant) in the same manner,—I, Rājakêsarivarman, at the request of Puttan, the son of Gunavan of Andurai, have maintained (the grant) as former kings had maintained it.

(L. 9.) "The feet of one who protects this charity, shall be on my head!"

B :- INSCRIPTION OF PARANTAKA I.

This inscription is now published for the first time. It is dated during the 13th year of the reign of Madirai konda Parakêsarivarman, and records the gift of a perpetual lamp to the Tirukkalukkungam temple. Madirai konda means 'who took Madirai (i.e. Madhura),' and is synonymous with the Sanskrit Madhurântaka, a name which is applied in the large Leyden grant to two of the successors of Parântaka I.³ Several inscriptions of Madirai konda Parakêsarivarman have already been published,— three from the Kailâsanâtha temple at Conjecveram3 and one from Tiruppûndurutti near Tanjore.4 The endorsement on the Udayêndiram plates of Nandivarman⁵ and on those of Nandivarman Pallavamalla⁶ are dated during the reign of the same king. The Tamil portion of the Udayêndiram plates of the Ganga-Bâna king Prithivîpati II. alias Hastimalla belongs to the reign of the same Madirai konda Parakêsariyarman⁷ and implies that he bore the surname Vîranârâyana.⁸ In the Sanskrit portion of the same grant, the two names Vîranârâyana9 and Parântaka10 are used for the Chôla king. In the large Levden grant the name Parantaka alone appears. In both of these copper-plate grants. he is said to have been the son of the Chôla king Aditya (I.) and the grandson of Vijayalaya. From the Udayêndiram plates we learn that he uprooted the Bâna king 12 and gave the Bâna territory to his Ganga feudatory Prithivîpati II.18 He conquered the Pândya king Râjasimha14 and defeated the army of the king of Coylon.15 This event appears to be referred to in the Mahavamsale when it says that the Singhalese king Kassapa V. sent an army to aid the Pandya king against the Chôla, but that the expedition was not successful. Kassapa V. is supposed to have reigned from A.D. 929 to 939.17 If the chronology of this portion of the Mahavamsa can be relied upon,18 we can get to a nearer approximation with regard to the date of Parantaka I. than what is furnished by the Atakûr inscription, from which it appears that this king's eldest son Rajaditya had been killed before A.D. 950. In the verse which refers to Parântaka I. the Kalingattu-Parani mentions the conquest of Ceylon and Madhurâ. 19 The large Levden grant says that Parântaka I. covered with gold the Siva temple at Vyâghrâgrahâra,20 which is a Sanskrit rendering of Puliyûr, one of the Tamil names of Chidambaram. This evidently means that he built the so-called Kanakasabhâ or Golden Hall at Chidambaram. In the collection of Saiva hymns known as Tiruvisaippa, there is a poem composed by Kandaradittar.

¹ i.e. "I worship their feet."— [A similiar captatio benevolentia, the transcription and translation of which must be changed in accordance with the one given here, occurs in line 9 of the Vélur inscription of Kannaradèva; South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 77.— E. H.]

South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 111.

³ ibid. Nos. 82, 83 and 145.

^{*} Madras Christian College Magazine, Vol. VIII. p. 104 ff.

⁵ See p. 147 above. ⁶ Salem Manual, Vol. II. p. 359. ⁷ ibid. p. 371.

⁸ The village granted by the inscription was called Viranarayanachcheri after the reigning king.

⁹ Salem Manual, Vol. II. p. 372, verse 6. 10 ibid. p. 373, verse 25.

¹¹ Archaelogical Survey of Southern India, Vol. IV. p. 206, 1. 32.

¹⁴ Salem Manual, Vol. II. p. 372, verse 11.

¹⁶ L. C. Wijesinha's Translation, p. 80.

¹⁶ That the chronology of the Mahávamsa is not beyond suspicion, has been pointed out by Dr. Hultzsch in his Annual Report for 1891-92, p. 5, note ...

¹⁹ Canto viii. verse 23.

^{*} Archaological Survey of Southern India, Vol. IV. p. 206, 1. 35 f.

who calls himself 'king of the people of Tanjai (Tanjore)' and who was very probably identical with Gandaradityavarman, mentioned in the large Leyden grant as the second son of Parantaka I. The eighth verse of this hymn refers to a Chôla who conquered the dominions of the Pandya king and Ceylon, and who was the lord of Uraiyur. It further states that this king covered with gold the hall at Chidambaram. The Vikrama-Solan-Uld, extracts from which were lately published by Mr. V. Kanakasabhai Pillai, mentions a king 'who constructed a roof of gold to the sacred hall in the temple at Chidambaram.' The Tiruvisaippa and the Vikrama-Solan-Ula evidently refer to the event that is mentioned in the large Leyden grant as having occurred during the time of Parantaka I. The Konqudêsarâjâkkal, a chronicle the statements made in which are to be accepted with caution, notices a real historical event when it says that the Chôla king Vîranârâyana built the Kanakasabhâ at Chidambaram.3 From the Udayêndiram plates it appears that Parantaka I, married the daughter of the Kêrala king.4 Leaving aside the numerous unpublished inscriptions of Parântaka I., the five published ones, which have been found at Conjecveram in the Chingleput district, Tiruppûndurutti near Tanjore, and Udayêndiram in the North Arcot district, show that his dominions must have been very wide. The latest date we have for him, is the 36th year of his reign.5

TEXT.

1	Svasti	á r î	[11*]	Madirai	koṇḍa	kô= Ppar	a[k]ê-
2	śaripanmarku			yâṇḍu	padin-m[û]ngâvadu		
3	Kalattûr-kkôt	[ṭa]ttu	t	an	kûŗŗu		Tiru-
4	[ta]luk[ku]nr	sttu ⁶			7	ri-Mûlastâ[na]	ttu=p-
5	pe[ru]mâ[lu]k	ku			Âm[û]r-kk	îțțattu=[Kka]re	ikkâ-
6	[ṭṭûr]		N[edu]m	â[r=Ch]âttan		Še nnip[pêra]-
7	yanum	iv	an ⁸	tâyâr		[Kô]yiṇa[i	igai]-
8	yum=åga	v[ai]y	t[ta]	[nu*]ndå-v	iļak ku	$o[\ddot{n}\ddot{n}]_{b}$	[•]
9	idu śa[ntr	-]-âdittavar	[1*]	i-tha[r]mma[n	n *]10	rakshippar	[sa]
10	bh[ai]yâr []]*]						

TRANSLATION.

Hail! Prosperity! In the thirteenth year (of the reign) of king Parakésarivarman, the conqueror of Madirai,— Nedumál Śāttan Śennippērayan of Karaikkāṭṭūr in Âmūr-kôṭṭam¹¹ and his mother Kôyinaṅgai ¹³ together gave one perpetual lamp¹³ to the god of the holy Mūlasthāna (temple) at Tirukkalukkunram in Kalattūr-kôṭṭam (and) in the subdivision called after itself. This (shall last) as long as the moon and the sun (endure). The members of the assembly (sabhā) shall protect this gift.

¹ Tanjaiyar kon Kandarddittan ; Tiruvisaippa, Madras edition of 1879, p. 76, verse 10.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 142.

⁸ Salem Manual, Vol. I. pp. 39 and 40. ⁴ ibid. Vol. II. p. 372, verse 8.

⁵ Dr. Hultzsch's Annual Report for 1891-92, inscription No. 100 of 1892.

Read Tirukkalukkungattu. Read Mulasthanattu.

⁸ In this line the Tamil numeral 'seven' seems to be engraved over i of ivan; 'twenty-two' below the aksharas van tâ of ivan tâyâr; and 'twenty' over ngai of mangai.

⁹ The modern Tamil numeral 'three' appears to be engraved over mrs of onrs.

no Read i-ddharmam. 11 See p. 149 above, note 7.

¹³ This name is made up of köyil, 'a temple,' 'and sangai, 'a lady.'

¹⁸ Nundd-vilakku means 'a lamp which does not require to be trimmed.' See South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. II. p. 132, note 3.

C. AND D.— INSCRIPTIONS OF KANNARADEVA.

These two inscriptions are written in bold archaic characters which resemble very closely those of another inscription of Kannaradêva near Vêlûr (Vellore),1 but are more rounded than those of other ancient Tamil inscriptions. Both inscriptions are dated during the reign of Kannaradeva,- the first in the 17th and the second in the 19th year. To the name of the king is prefixed in both of them the epithet Kachchiyun-Tañjaiyun-konda, 'who took Kachchi and Tanjai.' Kachchi is the ancient Tamil name of Kanchipura (Conjeeveram), the capital of the Pallavas, and Tañjai is a shorter form of Tañjâvûr (Tanjore), the Chôla capital. The actual meaning of the attribute appears to be that the king conquered the Pallava and the Chôla countries.

The inscription near Vêlûr is dated during the 26th year, but here there is no reference to the conquest of Kachchi and Tañjai. The Aruṇâchalêśvara temple at Tiruvaṇṇâmalai in the South Arcot district contains two fragmentary inscriptions of Kannaradêvan.2 As the distinguishing epithet is missing, it is not absolutely certain if the Vêlûr and Tiruvannâmalai records belong to the same reign as the two Tirukkalukkungam ones. Even if this should not be the case, the fact that the two subjoined inscriptions are found at Tirukkalukkungam, which is within the Pallava dominions, testifies to the correctness of the statement that the king conquered the Pallava country. The name Kannara, which is a vulgar form of the Sanskrit Krishna, does not occur among the members of any of the dynasties of the South. Nor is it found among those northern dynasties which are known to have invaded the South except among the Rashtrakûtas. That this dynasty exercised a considerable influence over the history of Southern India, is established by the following facts.

- 1. In an inscription of Gôvinda III.,3 this Râshtrakûța king claims to have conquered, and levied tribute from, Dantiga, the Pallava ruler of Kañchi.
- 2. The Udayêndiram plates of the Ganga king Prithivîpati II., who was a tributary of the Chôla king Parântaka I., appear to refer to an invasion of Amôghavarsha (I.) and its repulsion by the Ganga king's grandfather, Prithivîpati I.4
- 3. The Atakûr inscription of Śaka-Samvat 872 reports that Bûtuga, a Ganga feudatory of the Râshtrakûta king Krishna (III.) alias Kannaradêva, treacherously killed the Chôla king Râjâditya in a battle at Takkôla.⁵ The Dêôlî plates of Krishna III., dated Śaka-Samvat 862, report that the king killed Dantiga and Bappuka, and that he transferred the Ganga territory frem Rachhyâmalla— the Râchamalla of the Âtakûr inscription— to Bhûtârya.6 This is evidently the Bûtuga of the Âtakûr inscription. In his remarks on the Dêôlî plates, Dr. Bhandarkar suggests that Bappuka might be identical with the Chôla king Rajaditya,7 who is mentioned in the Atakûr inscription. But no connection can be established between the two names Bappuka and Râjâditya, and the war with the latter need not yet have taken place in the Saka year 862, the date of the Dêôlî plates.
- 4. The statement of the Âtakûr inscription that Krishna III. fought against Râjâditya, is confirmed by the large Leyden grant, which reports that the Chôla king Rajaditya, the son of Parântaka I., died in battle with Krishnarâja.8

The characters in which the two subjoined inscriptions are engraved, look more ancient than those employed in the inscriptions of the Chôla king Bajarajadêva, and less archaic than those

¹ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 76.

² Madras Christian College Magazine, Vol. IX. p. 665.

³ Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 127.

⁵ Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 168.

⁴ Salem Manual, Vol. II. p. 373, verse 16.

⁵ Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XVIII. p. 13 of the Reprint. 7 idid. p. 4. 6 Archaelogical Survey of Southern India, Vol. IV. p. 206 f., Il. 42 to 45.

in which the grants dated during the reign of Parantaka I. are recorded. Rajarajadêva was one of the most powerful of the Chôla kings, as is shown by the fact that his inscriptions are found on the walls of almost every ancient temple in the Tamil country. Consequently, it is very improbable that Kannaradêva's invasion took place during his reign. Again, the three inscriptions of Parântaka I. found in a Pallava temple at Kâñchîpuram, which was the Pallava capital, and the above published inscription from Tirukkalukkunram, which must also have been situated in the Pallava territory, show either that Parantaka conquered the Pallavas himself, or, if the conquest had been effected by one of his predecessors, that he continued to keep them under subjection. The two subjoined inscriptions say that Kannara took Kachchi and Tanjai, and imply that he enjoyed undisturbed possession of the country for a considerable length of time; for, otherwise grants would not have been issued in his name. It is very unlikely that a king like Parantaka, whose military resources were enough to keep the Pallavas under subjection and at the same time to conquer the Pandya and other kings, would have allowed a town like Tañjai, situated as it is in the heart of the Chôla country, to be occupied by a victorious invader. Thus palæographical and historical considerations combine together in fixing the period of these grants between the death of Parantaka I. and the accession of Rajarajadêva. This period was occupied, according to the large Leyden grant, by the reigns of six Chôla kings.3 Of the military achievements of none of them has it much to say. The Kalingattu-Parani leaves out these six kings entirely in the account which it gives of the ancestors of the reigning king Kulôttunga I.,3 and inscriptions dated during their reigns are conspicuous by their absence even in the heart of the Chôla country. Of course, some of those which begin either with kô Rájakêsarivarman or kô Parakésarivarman alone, may have to be referred to the reigns of two or more of these kings. But the fact that these contain no historical introduction is significant. and would imply that their military achievements were not worthy of record. These considerations naturally lead to the inference that, during the reigns of these six kings, the Chôlas occupied quite an inferior position and were probably feudatories of some foreign king. It was just during this period that the invasion and the considerably long occupation of the Chôla dominions by Kannaradêva was possible. Not long after the death of Parântaka I., Bûtuga, a Ganga feudatory of the Rashtrakûta king Krishna III. alias Kannaradêva, fought a battle at Takkôla,— a place which has not yet been identified,— against the Chôla king Râjâditya, who was defeated and killed in the battle. Commenting on the unreliable nature of most of the statements made in the spurious Sûdi plates of Bûtuga, Dr. Fleet remarks that there are references to two real historical events in the inscription.4 There is, I think, a third historical event when they say that, after defeating the Chôla king Râjâditya, the Ganga king Bûtuga, under orders from Krishna III., besieged Tanjapuri, i.e. Tanjore. As has been pointed out above, the Chôla power was very weak after the death of Parantaka I., and nothing could stand in the way of the victor at Takkôla proceeding straight to Tanjore, which appears to have been the Chôla capital during the time of Rajaditya's successor Gandaradityayarman,6 and capturing it. It was also stated that palæographical considerations point to the interval between the death of the Chôla king Parântaka I. and the accession of Râjarâjadêva as the approximate period of the subjoined inscriptions, which are dated during the reign of Kannaradêva; that, about the commencement of this interval, the Rashtrakûta king Krishna III-

¹ See note 3, p. 280 above.

² These were Rajaditya, Gandaradityavarman, Animjaya, Parantaka II., Aditya-Karikala and Madhurantaka. The fact that Aditya-Karikala preceded Madhurantaka, shows that the succession was disputed after the death of Parantaka II.; South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 112.

³ The next event that is mentioned after the conquest of Ceylon and Madhurâ, which took place during the reign of Parântaka I., is the capture of Udagai, which occurred during the reign of Bâjarâjadêva; see canto viii, verses 23 and 24.

See P. 175 above.

⁵ See p. 183 above.

See note 1, p. 281 above.

alias Kannaradêva actually killed the reigning Chôla king; and that the name Kannara does not occur either among the southern dynasties, or among the occasional conquerors of the South, except among the Râshṭrakûṭas. From these facts the conclusion seems to be irresistible that the Kannaradêva of the subjoined inscriptions, who took Kânchî and Tanjâvûr, was no other than the Râshṭrakûṭa king Kṛishṇa III. who was also called Kannaradêva.

The donor in the inscription B. was Nedumâl Śâttan Śennippêrayan of Karaikkâṭṭûr, and in the inscription D. Śâttan Śennippêraiyan of Karai. As pointed out to me by the Editor, the names of these two donors are very similar, and the name Karai, which occurs in D., may only be a shorter form of Karaikkâṭṭûr in B. It is, therefore, not improbable that the donors in B. and D., which belong to the reigns of Parântaka I. and of Kannaradêva, respectively, were identical. If they were the same, the identity of the Kannaradêva of the two subjoined inscriptions with the Râshṭrakûṭa king Kṛishṇa III. would receive some support; for, we would then have direct evidence to show that B. and D. were engraved within the life-time of the same man.

Of the two subjoined inscriptions, C. records the grant of a perpetual lamp to the Tirukkalukkungam temple, and D. the building of a hall (ambalam) at Tirukkalukkungam and a grant of some land to this hall.

TEXT OF C.

1 2 3	Svasti dêvarkku ttu	śrî ta <u>n</u>	[]]*] yâṇḍu kûŗŗu	Kachchiyun=Tañjaiyu padin-êlâvadu Tirukkalukkunrat		Kaļattûr	ann ara- l -kkôţţ a- lastânat-
4	tu ² per	umāṇ=aḍi	igaļu[k*]ku	Karai[y-n]daiya	Baladêvan.	-âgiva	Parân-
5	takappêra	rayan	vaiytta	nundå-[vi]lakk=onru	[]*]	idu	śa-
6	ntr-âdityav	var=pan·1	lâhêśvarar	rakshai [*]	³ Pa	rântakapp	
7	••	vaiytta	viļakku	muț[ți]l	Gengaiy-	idai= Kku i	nariy-i-4
8	daiy=elu-n	ûrru=kk â	damuñ=j[e]ydâr	śeyda			=paduvô-
9	m=âṇôn= T	irukkalu	kkunrat[tu]	sabha	iyôm		[*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Hail! Prosperity! In the seventeenth year (of the reign) of the glorious Kannaradêva, the conqueror of Kachchi and Tañjai,— Baladêvan alias Parânta-kappêrarayan of Karai gave one perpetual lamp to the feet of the god of the holy Mûlasthâna (temple) at Tirukkalukkunram in Kalattûr-kôṭṭam (and) in the subdivision called after itself. This (grant shall be under) the protection of all Mâhêsvaras as long as the moon and the sun (endure).

(L. 6.) "If (we), the members of the assembly (sabhā) of Tirukkalukkunram, obstruct (the burning of) the lamp given by Parântakappêrarayan, we shall incur the sin committed by those who commit seven hundred murders 5 near the Gangâ and near Kumari."

¹ Above the first line, beginning from n of Kachchiyun and extending to the end, is an incomplete inscription which runs as follows:— Svasti érî [||*] Kô=Pparakéšariva[r]mma[r]kku yandu iran[davadu*].

³ Read Mülasthânattu.

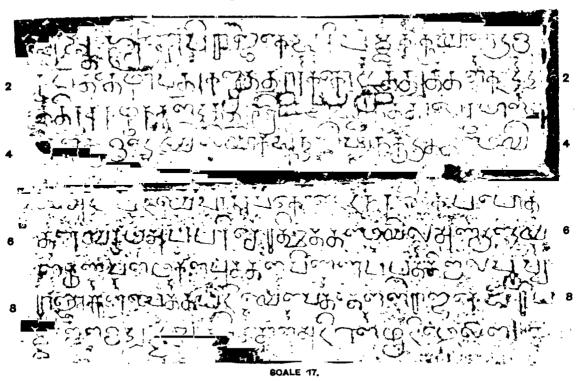
³ The sign of length of rd in Parantaka is joined to the r, so that rd looks as if it were no.

⁴ Between the 6th and 7th lines, from the second g of Gengai to ri of Kumari in line 7, some symbols are engraved, of which the first looks like the modern Tamil letter nd and the rest seem to stand for the numeral 'twenty-three.'

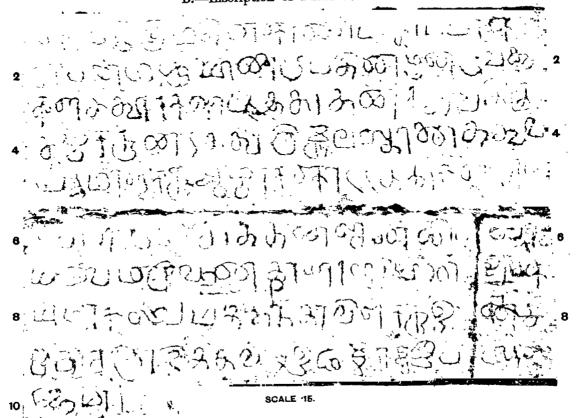
⁵ In the Madras Christian College Magazine, Vol. IX. p. 750, I had taken kddam to mean 'a measure of distance equal to 10 miles.' The Editor pointed out to me that kadam is derived from the Sanskrit ghâta, 'a murder.'

⁶ Kumari is a name which occurs very often in the imprecatory portion of Tamil inscriptions. Local tradition asserts the existence of a river of that name, which people frequented for bathing, and after which the southern portion of the peninsula was called. The absence at the present time of a river answering to Kumari in the

A.-Inscription of Rajakesarivarman.

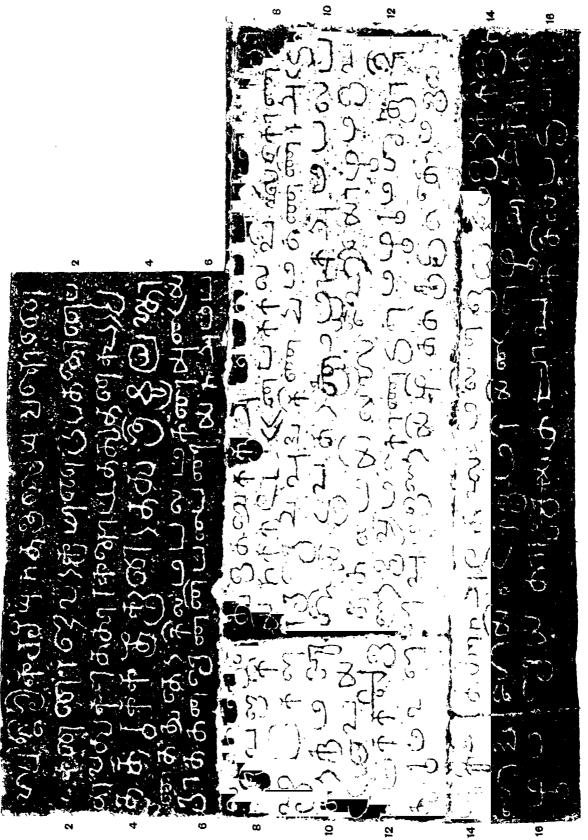


B.-Inscription of Parantaka I.



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CALE ONE-SIXTH

TEXT OF D.

1	Svasti	śri	[11*]]	Kachchiyun=Taf	i[j]aiyun=kon-
2	₫a	Kannaradêvar	ku	yâņ		pat[t-o]nba-1
3	dâvadu	[*]	Kalattûr-k[kô]	ļţţattu ³	tan	[kû]rru=3
4	Ttirukkalu[k*]k	unrattu				śr î-M û lastâ-
5	nattu 4	t	erkil=ambalam			Karaiy-udaiya
6	S âttan		Śennippaira	iyan ⁵		amba-
7	lamm=e[dut]tu	idanukl	idanukku ambala-p		-ppuram=â[ga	Îá]â-
8	nasivan-âgiya	di-Battan	ın pakkal		vilai-koṇḍa	
9	bhûmi	Kalarichcherus	un∈kiņarum		$ ann[\hat{f i}]{f r}$	aṭṭu[va]-
10	darkum	agni	y=idu va darkun	m=âga ⁶		ambala-pa-
11	ţţi ⁷	vaiyttamaiyi	1	sabha	aiyômum	iva.
12	n pakkal ⁸	irai dravy	am kon	ıdu	emm=ûrum	śantr- a di-
13	ttarum ul-a	ļavum iraiy	=ilitti=[kk u]dı			*]dha[r]mma-
14	m rakshittân	adi talai	$\mathbf{m}[\mathbf{\hat{e}}]$ li \mathbf{n} a	[*] i-	$[d^*]dha[rmma]n$	ı izakkinân
15	Gengaiy-idai=Kk	umariy-idai			eļv	·nû <u>rr</u> u=kkâda-
16	mum śe	yd âr śe j	7 da ⁹]	pâpattil	paduvâr	[11]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Hail! Prosperity! In the nineteenth year (of the reign) of Kannaradêva, the conqueror of Kachchi and Tanjai.

(L. 3.) "Whereas Śâttan Śennippêraiyan of Karai had built a hall (ambalam) to the south of the holy Mûlasthâna (temple) at Tirukkalukkunram in Kalattûr-kôţţam (and) in the subdivision called after itself, and had given as a dependence (? puram) of this hall, vis. for providing water and for supplying fire to the hall, lo a well and (one) patţi of land (called) Kalarichcheruvu, which he had purchased from Îsânasiva alias Nakkadi-Bhaṭṭa,— (we), the members of the assembly (sabhâ), having taken from this (person) the money for taxes, gave (the land) tax-free for as long as our village, lo the moon and the sun endure."

extreme south of the peninsula has been explained by supposing that the river was swallowed up by the sea. In his History of Tinnevelly, p. 19 ff., Dr. Caldwell has shown, from explicit statements contained in the Periplus, that Kumari was not a river but a place, and that people did, in ancient times as now, not bathe in a river but in the sea. Dr. Caldwell adds that the title Kumarichchérppan, which is given to the Pandya king on account of the proximity of his dominions to Cape Comorin, also implies that Kumari was not a river but a tract of land.

- In the original the symbols for e and t of to are joined together.
- The symbol for & and k of kô are joined together in the original.
- 3 In the original it looks as if there were three r's here instead of two, of which the first is joined to the ks which precedes it.
 - 4 Read Mülasthanatiu.
 - Read operaisan; it is not impossible that the engraver has himself made this correction.
- Over the ku of kumm=aga some symbol which looks like the modern Tamil nd is cut, and between kumm=aga of this line and sabhai of the next, the modern Tamil numeral 'nineteen' appears to be engraved.
 - 7 Over the ti of patti and the ai of vaiytta, the modern Tamil symbol for the numeral 'ten' is engraved.
 - 8 Above the l of pakkal the modern Tamil numeral 'eight' is engraved.
 - 9 Over the aksharas seyda pao the modern Tamil numeral 'seventy-seven' is engraved.
- 10 In the Kûram plates, provision is made for water and fire required for a mandapa at Kûram; see South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 151.
- in The word kalari means 'uncultivated ground' and feruve means 'a field.' Kalarichcheruve was probably a proper name, denoting a certain tract of rice-fields.
- 22 It is not common in inscriptions to make the duration of a grant co-extensive with that of the village in which the object granted lies.

(L. 13.) "The feet of one who protects this charity, shall be on (our) heads. One who injures this charity, shall incur the sin committed by those who commit seven hundred murders near the Ganga and near Kumari."

No. 39.- NADUPURU GRANT OF ANNA-VEMA;

SAKA-SAMVAT 1296.

BY E. HULTZSCH, PH.D.

The original of this inscription belonged to the late Sir Walter Elliot. I edit it from two sets of impressions, prepared for Sir Walter Elliot, and kindly made over to me by Dr. Fleet, who has noted the following details on the cover containing the impressions:—"Three copper plates, $10\frac{3}{8}$ by $4\frac{3}{8}$ inches; in fair order if cleaned. The edges are slightly raised into rims. The ring has been cut; it is about $\frac{5}{8}$ " thick and $4\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter, and has a kneeling bull soldered on to it. The plates are marked '21' in white paint; but there is no label to say where they come from." The second sides of the three plates are numbered with the Telugu numerals 1, 2, 3, respectively, between the ring-hole and the edge.

The alphabet is Telugu. Of orthographical peculiarities the following deserve to be noted. The letter bh is not distinguished from b if the vowels d, d, d, d and d are attached to it or if it forms the second consonant of a group (as in तहुत, line 11, and सर्वोन्माविन:, l. 54), and if, consequently, the right top-stroke which distinguishes d from d, disappears; only in two cases (d of दंशाभवात, l. 2, and वासि, l. 3), the aspiration is then denoted by a vertical line below the letter. In the d sharas d (ll. 33 to 39) and d (l. 44), the letter d is written in full, and the secondary forms of d and d are attached to it. The group d is throughout written as d and similarly the group d and d are attached to it. The group d is represented by d and d are attached to it.

The languages of the inscription are Sanskrit and Telugu. It opens with nineteen Sanskrit verses, which are followed by a list of the twenty donees in Sanskrit prose (l. 32 ff.). The boundaries of the granted village are specified in Telugu prose (l. 39 ff.). Then follow five imprecatory verses in Sanskrit (l. 47 ff.), and the inscription ends with a short sentence in Telugu (l. 55 f.).

As the Vanapalli plates of Šaka-Samvat 1300 (No. 10 above), the present inscription records a grant of land by Anna-Vēma of Kondavīti (verse 15), i.e. of Kondavīdu in the Kistna district. It opens with a genealogy which contains the same proper names as that of the other inscription. After an invocation of the Boar-incarnation of Vishnu (v. 1), it refers to the (Sūdra) caste (v. 2), a member of which was Prôla (v. 3), whose son Vēma (v. 4) built a flight of steps at Śrīśaila (v. 6). Vēma's two sons, Anna-Vôta and Anna-Vēma (v. 7), successively occupied the throne after him (vv. 8 and 10). Anna-Vēma or Ana-Vēma (l. 55) bore the surnames Vasantarâya (v. 13) and Pallava-Trinêtra (v. 15). The first of these two epithets, which means 'the king of spring,' he owed to his participation in the spring festival (vasantôtsava, v. 14). The surname Pallava-Trinêtra is borrowed from a mythical king of the Telugu country, who appears as Trilôchana-Pallava in the inscriptions of the Eastern Chalukya dynasty,² as Trinayana-Pallava in the Yenamadala inscription of Gaṇapâmbâ (p. 95 above), and as Mukkaṇṭi-Pallava or Mukkaṇṭirâja in local legends.³ As in the Vanapalli

¹ Compare page 65 above, note 6.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 49, and South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 50

^{*} Kistna Manual, p. 5, and Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. pp. 64, 135, 136 and 144.

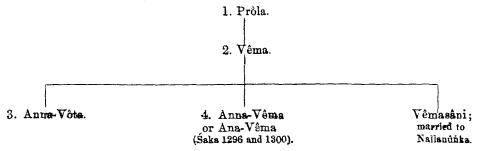
plates (vv. 9 and 11), Hêmâdri, the author of the Dânakhaṇḍa, is repeatedly referred to (vv. 5, 9 and 17).

Anna-Vêma's sister, Vêmasâni, is stated to have been the queen of a certain Nallanûnka (v. 16), whose name I have not found elsewhere. For her spiritual benefit, Anna-Vêma granted to twenty Brahmanas the village of Nadupûru (v. 18), which received the surname Vêmapura in commemoration of Vêmasâni's own name (v. 19). The grant was made in the temple of Vijayêsvara on the bank of the Gautamî (i.e. Gôdâvarî) river (v. 18). The temple of Vijayêsvara is probably identical with the village of Vijayêsvaram in the Tanuku tâlukâ of the Gôdâvarî district, which is situated "close to the west end of the Gôdâvarî anieut" and contains "two old temples, held very sacred." The village granted, Nadupûru, was situated on the eastern bank of the Gôdavarî (l. 43 f.). A number of other villages, which I am unable to identify, are mentioned in the description of its boundaries (Il. 39 to 46). The Madras Survey Map of the Gôdâvarî district shows a village named Nadupûdi in the Narsâpur tâlukâ on the right bank of the Gôdâvarî, and another village, named Vêmavaram, about 5½ miles S.-S.-W. of Nadupûdi. I hardly think that one of these two villages can be identical with Nadupûru alias Vêmapuram, which must be looked for on the opposite bank of the river. The country or district to which Nadupûru belonged, was called Kônasthala (v. 18). This may be the same as the Kônamaṇḍala, which had been ruled over before the time of Anna-Vêma by a dynasty of chiefs whose names are given in the second inscription on the Pithâpuram pillar and in inscriptions at Pâlakôl,3 and with Kônasîma, a local name of the Gôdâvarî delta.3

The date of the grant (v. 18) was the day of a lunar eclipse on Kârttiki (t.e. the full-moon tithi of the month of Kârttika) in the Sâka year 1296 (in numerical words and in figures) Sâka-Samvat 1296 as a current year would correspond to A.D. 1373-74, and as an expired year to A.D. 1374-75. Mr. Dikshit kindly informs me that both in 1373 and in 1374 A.D. there was a lunar eclipse in Bhâdrapada, but not in Kârttika, and that no lunar eclipse in Kârttika is possible in the years 1375 to 1379 and 1362 to 1369; but that there were lunar eclipses in Kârttika of A.D. 1370 and 1371, and that a very small lunar eclipse, not visible anywhere in India, is possible in Âśvina (the month preceding Kârttika) on Wednesday, the 13th October, A.D. 1372.

A Telugu inscription on the wall of the garden of the Koppêśvara temple at Palivela in the Amalâpuram tâlukâ of the Gôdâvarî district records a grant of land by a servant (leika) of Ana-Vêmâya-Reddi on the 5th tithi of the bright fortnight of Phálguna of the Saka year 1299.

The Vanapalli plates and the Nadupuru grant furnish the following short pedigree of the Reddi dynasty of Kondavidu —



¹ Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. I. p. 38.

³ See my Annual Report for 1893-94, pp. 3 and 6.

⁸ Godávari Manual, p. 5.

⁴ No. 505 of 1893 in my Annual Report for 1893-94. Another Telugu inscription in the Bhímésvara temple at Dráksháráma (No. 446 of 1893) records the erection of buildings by Ana-Vému in Sakavarsha 1808, Vaisákha śu° 10; but it remains uncertain if this Ana-Vému is identical with Anna-Véma of Kondavídu.

TEXT.1

First Plate; First Side.

- 1 ♦ श्रीमान्वराइवपुरावइतु श्रियं वी ये[ना]ग्र कौतुकवती[इ]इ-
- 2 ता धरिच्या: । दंष्ट्राभिघातपरिकंपितमेर्श्यगिनर्भुत्तरद्वनिकरैर्द-
- 3 पादि [रे]षा³ । [१*] भरविंदनाभिचरणारविंदती ज[ग]तां हिताय जनिमा-
- 4 [प] काचन । सुरलोकसिंधुरिव जातिरुज्वला गुणगीरवेण गणनीय्य-1
- 5 जीवना । [२*] अभूत्तस्यां जाती गुणगणनिधिः प्रीलन्टपितः प्रता[पाक्ये]
- 6 यसिन्यरतक्वितारं वितरित । जनासर्वे सद्यश्च्यतिविधव्यति-
- 7 व्यतिकरासामं धर्में कामे मितमिविह्नतां संन्यिधिषत । [२*] तस्माष्ट्राजे वे-
- 8 सभूप: प्रता[पी] 'विरक्षाक्षान्म् तिंशास्त्रीव धर्म: । 'दुई तानां यी दिषां'
- 9 निप्रहत्य चीणीं क्रत्झां रामभोजं बुभोज । [8*] हेमाद्रिणा संप्रति-

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- 10 वादितानां दानवतानां विधिविद्याता । निस्तीमसुवीं दिजसात्म स्रता
- 11 तद्द्रक्रयेषां खयमन्वभंत । [५*] मेदमंदरकेशासामाद्द्रजुमेहा-
- 12 मति: । सीपानपंतिं त्रीयैले व्यतनोद्देमभूपति: । [६*] तस्य गासितुव्भी
- 13 बभूवतू रामलद्भाणनिभी तनूभवी । भन्नवीतनृपतिः प्रतापवानन-
- 14 वेमनुपतिच जिलर: । [७*] पितुरनंतरमग्र[गु]णोगजसाम[ध]गत्य
- 15 स राज्यमकंटकं । वसुमतीमखिलां परिपालयन्युचरितैसामचेष्ट
- 16 सङ्ख्या: । [८*] येनायहारा बहवी वितिर्णा हैमा[द्रि]दानानि क्ततानि येन ।
- 17 [ती]र्खेषु सत्राणि ततानि येन येन प्रजासाध्वनुरंजितास । [८*] तदनंतरम-
- 18 ववेमभूप: पिट्टिंशिंशसनसुवती थिक्ट: । श्रीखलानिरभूपती बाहा [ता]

¹ From Sir Walter Elliot's impressions.

Read रेखा.

Read ° क्जनला.

⁴ Read गणनीय.

^{*} Bead बीर: साचा°.

⁶ § is corrected by the engraver from §.

⁷ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

^{*} The construction दियां निप्रइत्य is correct according to Panini, ii. 3, 56.

Bead 'पादितानां.

¹⁰ Read वितीर्था.

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- 19 '[स]रसिंईसनमध्य[रो]इयद्राक । [१०*] म[ह]ादानादिदानानां य[स्मि]-न्य[स्य]-
- 20 [निवध]तिरि । चिराय त[त्त]हि[ध]यसरितार्श्वल[म]ाययुः । [११*] कित्तिं दि[गंबरां]ं
- 21 [दृ]द्वा यस्य प्रियतमां जनाः । एष सर्व्यस्व[म]र्त्विभ्यो दत्तवानिति [म]न्वते । [१२*]
- 22 [सो]यं वसंतरायांकः कस्त्री[चं]द्रचंदनैः । न केवलां भुवं [द्यां]'
- 23 च चिप्तेर्यधवतीं व्यधात् । [१३*] य[इ]संतोत्सवचिप्तभूरिकपू [र]रे[णु]-
- 24 भि: । यशसा किंतु तस्त्रासीदवळं [ज]गतां चयं । [१४*] स्रीयद्वविनेचां[क][:*]
- 25 त्रीग्रैलात्पूर्वत स्थितं । त्रीकींडवीटिनगरं सीयं [श्रास्ति] परंतपः । [१५*] तस्य[ा]व-
- 26 वेमचंद्रस्य खिस्मिरिव सहोदरा [i*] त्री[न]क्ष[नूं]कभूपस्य महीिव विष्युतेज-
- 27 सः । [१६*] वेससानिति विख्याता [सप्त]संता[नग्र]ालिनी । नि[त्यं हो]माद्रिक[ब्यो]क्र[द]ानव्रत-

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- 28 विधायिनी । [१७*] ॳ । श्राकाव्दे रसरद्वभानु १२८६ गणि[ते] ग्रस्ते विधी राहु[ण]ा का-
- 29 तिकां विवयम्बरस्य पुरतः श्वीधीतमीरोधिस । विप्रेभ्यः परमद्यवेम-
- 30 वृपति[:*] श्रीवेमसान्या[:*] खसुः पुष्यात्री नडुपूर्सन्नम[द]दाद्गामं स को-
- 31 षखले । [१८*] साष्टेखर्य साष्टभी[गं] दत्ती विंगतिभागवान् । तस्त[ा] नाम्नायसारी-
- 32 यं भाति वेमपुराइय: । [१८*] श्रस्त्र ग्रामस्त्र प्रतिग्रहीतार: । [त] स[ा] भ-
- 33 ह[: 1] ¹⁰तिष्पयार्य: । दोचयार्य: । एते इरितगोचा: । देवरेभह:

[!] Read सिंडासन . Read कीर्ति.

The anssvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁴ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

A Read Guidanari. 6 Read Guille.

Read चिप्तर्गश्चवर्ती.
 Read चित्रांग्यवर्ती.
 Read चित्रांग्यवर्ती.
 Read चित्रांग्यवर्ती.

⁷ Read महिषी.

² P

- 34 यभट्ट[: । माच]यार्यः । एते कीश्रिकगोत्राः । सुम्राडिया[र्य]ः । [ल]क्रनार्यः । एती
- 35 श्रीवत्सगोत्री । प्रभाकरभट्टः । नागयभट्टः । वासु[दे]वार्यः । एते काश्य[प]गोत्राः [।*]
- 36 पेक्साबि[भ] हः । लोहितगोतः । रा[घ]वभहः । [कोंड]यार्थः । एती भारताज-

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- 37 गीत्री । इमाडियार्य: । आवेयगीत्र: । अव्यदेवर[1]र्य: । म[क्किना]यार्य: ।
- 38 एती ¹माम्बगीची । वक्षभार्यः । नरष्टरिभटः । एती कामकायन[गी]ची । लक्ष-
- 39 नार्यः कौडिन्यगीतः ॥ त्रस्य ग्रामस्य सीमानः । तूर्पुनकु सुप्पन्ने पुंत ।
- 40 म्राम्नेयानकु । पांचालवरपु सुप्पन्ने रेंडु पुंतल कूटिम । दिचणान-
- 41 [क् ।] श्रामि]याननुंडि पडुमळ वीयि शंतनुत्तरं वीयि शंत-
- 42 [नं]िट पड्मळ वीयि श्रंतट दिचणं सुखमैन पुद्दलतोडिकडुं.⁴
- 43 दुल्ल मेहु पुंत । श्रंदुंडि गीदाविदांकानु [से]डकीटि मेडिताप पुं[त ।]
- 44 [नै] ऋैत्यानक्षुन् पडुमटिकिसि गोदावरि । वायव्यानक । गोदावरिनुंडि तू-
- 45 [र्पु]मुखभै विचन गृहुबु प्रेमुलक्कंटानु । उत्तरानकु । मे[डि]ताप पुं[ता]-
- 46 [नु] । कीमीपाडानु । म[हे] नक्षंबिक्क पुंत । ईम्रान्धानकुनु नक्षंबिक्क पुंति की

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- 47 यावंति लांगलसुखेन रजांसि भूमेभीसां निधेर्दु[इ]तु[रं]-
- 48 गल[री]मका[णि । ता]वंति शंकरपुरे स युगानि तिष्ठेइमि[प्रदा]न[मि]-
- 49 ह यः कुक्ते मनुष्यः । [२०*] आ[स्फो] टयंति पि[तरो व] लगं[ति] च पिताम-
- 50 हा: । भूमिदीस्राळुले जाती योस्मान्संतारियश्वति । [२१*] स्वदत्ता[द*]दिगु[णं]
- 51 पु[खां] प[रद]त्तानुपालनं । परद्त्तापहारेण खदत्तं नि[क्फ]लं [भवे]त् । [२२*]

³ Bead offs.

Bead दिवसमा

[·] The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

^{*} The ausvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

The asserára stands at the beginning of the next line.

- 52 खदत्तां परदत्तां वा यो इरेत वसंधरां । षष्टिं वर्ध[स]-
- 53 [इ]सार्वि विष्ठायां जायते क्रिमि: । [२३*] साम[ा]न्यीयं धर्मसेतुर्नृ[पा]-
- 54 **खां काले काले पालनियो^1 भविद्गः । इ**.स्रं सर्व्वान्भाविनः पार्त्सिवें[ट्रान्भू]-
- 55 यो भूयो याचते रामचंद्रः । [२४*] 🕀 । घनवेम[भू]पति पांचाल[वर]-
- 56 पुं बोलमंदु' [र्र]वूरि पोलानं गल[यनु ध]ार [वो]िप्र' र्र[चिन चे]त्रं खं ५ [♣]

ABRIDGED TRANSLATION.

Verse 1 contains an invocation, addressed to the Boar-incarnation of Vishnu.

(V. 2.) "Like the celestial river (Gangâ), a certain caste $(j\hat{a}ti)$, which is distinguished by great virtues (and) whose profession⁴ deserves respect, took origin, for the welfare of men, from the lotus foot of (Vishņu) whose navel (bears) a lotus."

In this caste was born king **Prôla** (v. 3). His son was king **Vêma** (v. 4), who performed the gifts described by **Hêmâdri** (v. 5).

(V. 6.) "Desirous of ascending Mêru, Mandara and Kailâsa,⁵ the high-minded king Vêma constructed a flight of steps at Śrîśaila."

He had two sons, Anna-Vôta and Anna-Vêma (v. 7), the elder of whom succeeded his father in the kingdom (v. 8).

(V. 9.) "He granted many agrahâras; he performed the gifts (described by) Hêmâdri; he built rest-houses (sattra) at places of pilgrimage (tîrtha); and he thoroughly gained the affection of (his) subjects."

He was succeeded by (his younger brother) Anna-Vêma (v. 10).

- (V. 13.) "He who was surnamed Vasantaraya, caused not only the earth, but also the sky, to be perfumed with musk, camphor and sandal, scattered (at the spring festival).
- (V. 14.) "Did the three worlds become white through the copious camphor-powder scattered at his spring festivals, or through his fame?
- (V. 15.) "This hero, who is surnamed the glorious Pallava-Trinêtra, rules the prosperous city of Kondaviți, which is situated to the east of Śriśaila.
- (Vv. 16 and 17.) "As Lakshmi of the Moon, the uterine sister of this Anna-Vêma (is) the famous Vêmasâni, the queen (mahishî) of the glorious prince Nallanûnka (who resembles) Vishņu in spleudour. She possesses the seven kinds of offspring (sapta-samtâna) (and) daily performs the gifts prescribed in the rules (kalpa) of Hêmâdri.
- (V. 18.) "In the Saka year reckoned by the tastes (6), the jewels (9), and the suns (12),— (in figures) 1296,— when the moon was swallowed by Râhu, on the Kârttikî (tithi), before (the god) Vijayêśvara, on the bank of the holy Gautami,—that king Anna-Vêma gave to Brâhmanas the excellent village called Nadupûru in Kônasthala, for the religious merit of (his) sister, the illustrious Vêmasâni.

Bead पाखनीयी. वीखमंद appears to be corrected from बीखमांदु.

⁸ Bead बीसि.

⁴ With reference to the river Ganga, jlosus has to be taken in the sense of 'water.'

i.e. in order to gain heaven through charity.

⁶ See page 92 above, note 3.

(V. 19.) "This agrahâra, which contains twenty shares (and) which was given together with the eight powers (aiśvarya) (and) with the eight enjoyments (bhôga), is resplendent, being called Vêmapura after her name.

(Line 32.) "The (twenty) recipients of this village (were): — Tallâbhaṭṭa, Tippayârya and Dôchayârya of the Harita gôtra; Dêvarebhaṭṭa, Śiṅgayabhaṭṭa and Mâchayârya of the Kauśika gôtra; Mummaḍiyârya and Lakkanârya of the Śrîvatsa gôtra; Prabhâkarabhaṭṭa, Nâgayabhaṭṭa and Vâsudêvârya of the Kâśyapa gôtra; Perumâṇibhaṭṭa of the Lôhita gôtra; Râghavabhaṭṭa and Koṇḍayârya of the Bhâradvâja gôtra; Immaḍiyârya of the Âtrêya gôtra; Ayyadêvarârya and Mallinâthârya of the Gârgya gôtra; Vallabhârya and Naraharibhaṭṭa of the Kâmakâyana gôtra; and Lakkanârya of the Kauṇḍinya gôtra.

(L. 39.) "The boundaries of this village (are):— In the east, the boundary of Muppalle. In the south-east, the junction of the two boundaries of Pañchalavaramu (and) Muppalle. In the south, the boundary of the high ground of Puttalatôdi and Kadundurru, which goes from the south-east to the west, thence to the north, thence to the west, and thence to the south; (and) thence up to the Gôdâvarî, the boundary of Sêdakôti Mêditâpa. In the south-west and in the west, the Gôdâvarî. In the north-west, an embankment which extends from the Gôdâvarî towards the east, and Prêmulakuṇṭa. In the north, the boundary of Mêditâpa, and Kommepâda; (and) thence, the boundary of Nallamballi. In the north-east also, the boundary of Nallamballi."

Lines 47 to 55 contain five imprecatory verses.

(L. 55.) "King Ana-Vêma gave, with libations of water, kham' 5 (i.e. five khandis) of cultivated land, included in the fields of Panchalavaramu and in the fields of this village (i.e. Nadupûru)."

No. 40.— KHAREPATAN PLATES OF RATTARAJA; SAKA-SAMVAT 930.

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These plates were found, rather more than fifty years ago, by a Brâhmaṇa of Khârêpâṭaṇ, a town in the Dêvagaḍ tâlukâ of the Ratnâgiri district of the Bombay Presidency; and the inscription which they contain has been already published, by Bal Gangadhar Sastri, in the Journal, Bombay Branch, R. A. S., Vol. I. p. 209 ff. I now re-edit it from an excellent impression, prepared by Dr. Fleet.

These are four copper-plates, the second and third of which are engraved on both sides, while the others are so on one side only. They are marked with the Någari numeral figures from 1 to 4, which are engraved on the right margin of the second side of the first, second and third plates, and of the first side of the last. Each plate measures from $7\frac{3}{4}$ to $7\frac{1}{8}$ broad by about $4\frac{3}{8}$ high. The plates are strung on a circular ring, about $\frac{1}{4}$ thick and $2\frac{1}{8}$ in diameter, which had not been cut when this record came into Dr. Fleet's hands. As will be seen from the accompanying photo-lithograph, this ring has soldered on to it an image of the mythical

¹ This translation of punta, which usually means 'a path,' is suggested by the context. Probably the boundaries of Muppalle and of the villages mentioned subsequently were marked by, and used as, cart-tracks.

² Mettu is the same as metta, on which see Brown's Telugu Dictionary.

i.e. 'Mêditâpa near Sêdakôdu.'

[•] To Mr. G. V. Ramamurti I am indebted for the correction of several mistakes in the translation of the Telugu portion.

bird Garuda. He is represented as a man, with wings, squatting full front, with the hands clasped on the breast, and under the wing on his left shoulder is seen a hooded serpent, its head projecting from behind. The total height of the image and ring is about 43°. The weight of the four plates is 4 lbs. 8 oz., and of the ring and image, 9 2 oz.; total, 5 lbs. 1 oz. The engraving is good, and, with the exception of one or two aksharas which are partly effaced, the writing is well preserved throughout.—The size of the letters is about 3.". The characters are Nâgarî, and the language is Sanskrit. Up to about the middle of line 33 the inscription, after the introductory ôm ôm namah Sivâya, has 21 verses (interrupted by a short prose passage between verses 10 and 11), chiefly containing genealogical matter. The rest, being the formal part of the grant, is in prose, but includes, in lines 38-40, 62-67, and 69-71, seven benedictive and imprecatory verses, and, in lines 74-75, another verse on the requisites of a faultless charter. As regards orthography, the letter b is everywhere denoted by the sign for v; the dental sibilant is ten times used for the palatal,1 and the palatal twice for the dental (in dsit, lines 11 and 21); the consonant m has been retained, instead of being changed to anusvara, in the word samvatsara, twice in 1.41, and in paradattam=va, 1.69; and sh is wrongly doubled after r in Akâlavarshshô, l. 9, and probably was so doubled by the writer also in lines 8 and 10, where the engraver has put =môghavarshyô and =môghavarshyah (instead of varshsho and varshshah). The sign of avagraha is employed six times. In respect of the language, it may be mentioned that the text offers two words which are Dravidian: pati in 1. 21, and the first member of the compound name Avvésvara in 1. 42; and that it contains some words the meaning of which is not apparent (notably jîvalôka, in l. 49, châkântara and juhaka, in 1. 50, and jagatipura, in 1. 59). A wrong verse we find in line 29; and another verse, in line 27, contains a passage which, as it stands, does not seem to yield any satisfactory

The inscription is one of the Silâra 2 Mandalika Rațtarâja. Like the Bhâdâna grant of the Śilâra Aparâjita,3 it divides itself into two parts. The first part, up to line 33, gives the genealogy of Rațțarâja, and of the Râshṭrakûṭa and (Western) Châlukya kings to whom he and his ancestors were subordinate; and the second part records various donations, made by him in Śaka-Saṃvat 930, in favour of some learned men connected with a temple of the god (Śiva, under the name) Avvêśvara.

Opening with the words 'ôm, ôm, adoration to Śiva,' the inscription first invokes the protection of the god Îśa (Śiva). It then glorifies the family of the Rāshṭrakūṭa lords, 'the ornament of Yadu's race,' and gives (in verses 3-8) the following well-known list of kings of that family:—1, Dantidurga; 2, his father's brother Kṛishṇarāja; 3, his son Gôvindarāja; 4, Nirupama; 5, his son Jagattungadêva; 6, his son Amôghavarsha; 7, his son Akālavarsha; 8, his grandson Indrarāja; 9, his son Amôghavarsha; 10, his younger brother Gôvindarāja, 'an abode of the sentiment of love, surrounded by crowds of lovely women;' 11, his father's brother, the son of Jagattunga, Vaddiga; 12, his son Kṛishṇarāja; 13, his brother Khôṭika; and 14, his brother's son Kakkala. Verses 9 and 10 then tell us that, having defeated Kakkala, Tailapa of the Châlukya lineage became king, and that he was succeeded by his son Satyāśraya; and a short prose passage in lines 20-21 intimates that this grant of Raṭṭarāja's

In some parts of the inscription it is difficult to distinguish between the signs for i and s, and between those for ch, dh, v, and p.

² So the name is given here, in line 22, while in the Bhâdâna grant of Aparâjita (No. 37 above) it is written Étlára, and in the Kôlhâpur inscriptious of Vijayâditya (Nos. 27 and 28 above) Étláñara.

³ See the preceding note.
⁴ I take the first member of this compound to be the Kanarese word avva avvs, mother, and would compare such names of Siva as Ambikésvara, Ambikápati, Ambápati, etc.

⁶ This Jagattunga was the son of Akâlavarsha and father of Indraraja

was made while that glorious king Satyâśraya of the prospering Châlukya lineage was ruling over Rattapâtî, i.e. the dominions of the Rattas (or Râshtrakûṭas).

The genealogy of Rattarâja is given in verses 11-21. There was the regent of the Vidyâdharas, Jîmûtakêtu's son Jîmûtavâhana, who (to save the serpent Śańkhachûḍa) offered his life to Garuḍa. From him sprang the prosperous and powerful Silâra family, a family foremost among the rulers of Simhala. [To this family belonged]:—

- 1. [Sa]naphulla, a favourite of king Krishna; he acquired the country from the sea-shore up to the Sahya mountains. His son was—
- 2. Dhammiyara, the founder of the great stronghold Valipattana; his son-
- 3. Aiyaparâja, endowed with the qualities of a conqueror, who was bathed with the water of the cocoanuts 3 near Chandrapura; his son—
- 4. Avasara [I.], who, well versed in politics and of fierce valour, singly subdued a multitude of enemies (?);4 his son—
- 5. Adityavarman; his son-
- 6. Avasara [II.], a prince (nripa) who conquered his enemies and aided the rulers born at Chêmûlya and Chandrapura; his son—
- 7. Indraraja; his son--
- 8. Bhìma, who distinguished himself by seizing the Chandra district (mandala), as Râhu swallows the moon's orb; his son, the king (râjan)—
- 9. Avasara [III.]; and his son, the king (rajan)—
- 10. Ratta.

To the above abstract of the contents of verses 11-21 I cannot add much of importance. Others have pointed out already that this particular branch of the Silâra (Śilâra, or Śilâhâra) family, of which no other inscription has yet been published, apparently was established in the Southern Konkan. The two other branches of the same family, the Śilâras of the Northern Konkan and the Śilâhâras of the country around Kôlhâpur, also trace their origin to the mythical Jîmûtavâhana; but only the present inscription connects the Silâra vamśa with the rulers of Simhala, or Ceylon. How much value should be attached to this statement, it is difficult to decide. In making it, the author perhaps only wished to give expression to the prevalent belief that the family had come from the South; but it also seems possible that the word Simhada has been brought in here merely on account of its resemblance to the word Silâra. Of the ten chiefs enumerated, none, so far as I know, is mentioned in other inscriptions. It is true that in the Khârêpâṭan plates of the Śilâra Anantadêva a prince

¹ See page 299 below, note 1.

² In the original there is nothing corresponding to the words in brackets.

³ I do not understand the exact significance of this ceremony. The meaning perhaps is that Aiyaparâja gained a victory at Chandrapura. Compare the Raghuvaméa, iv. 41 and 42.

⁴ See page 299 below, note 10.

See Dr. Bhagvanial Indraji in Journ. Bo. As. Soc. Vol. XIII. p. 14; Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 98; and Dr. Bhandarkar's Early History of the Dekkan, p. 98.

⁶ In the Ind. Ant. Vol. IX. p. 38, note 47, the late Mr. Telang has stated that somebody had furnished him with a transcript (not the original) of an unpublished plate which belonged to the branch of the Silâras here treated of, and which, like the present inscription, began with the Råshtrakûtas and ended with the Silâras. Regarding one of the princes mentioned in it, that plate contained the statement: abdhi-vêlâkulam ranuam yô-karôd-Valipattanam, and in another passage of the inscription Valipattana was also called Valinagara.

⁷ It has been already suggested that Śtlára and Śiláhara probably are Sanskritised forms of Silára, and that this word may be of Dravidian origin; see the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. XIII. pp. 422 and 730. Names like Dhammiyara and Aiyaparaja also point to a southern origin of the family.

⁸ See Ind. Ant. Vol. IX. p. 36.

Aiyapadêva is said to have been kept on the throne by the aid of Anantadêva's ancestor Aparâjita; but, as Aparâjita was reigning in Saka-Samvat 919,1 that Aivapadêva must have lived about 200 years after the Aiyaparaja of the present inscription. Considering that our grant is dated in Saka-Samvat 930=A.D. 1008-9, and that the succession of the ten chiefs in every case was from father to son, it has been rightly assumed that the founder of this family, [Sa]naphulla, who first took possession of the country between the sea and the Sahyadri range, lived in the second half of the 8th century A.D., and that, therefore, the king Krishna whose favour he enjoyed, can only have been the Rashtrakûţa Krishna I, who ruled in the third quarter of the same century. - Of the places mentioned, Valipattana, Chandrapura and Chêmûlya, the last has been identified with Chênval. (Chêul or Chaul), an ancient town on the coast, about thirty miles south of Bombay, of which a full account is given in the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. XI. p. 269 ff. Here it will be sufficient to state that Chêmûlya is mentioned in the Khârêpâtan plates of Anantadêva, as belonging to the Konkan group of 1400 [villages] which was held by the Northern Sîlâras; and that, according to Mas'ûdî, who visited the town -called Saimûr by him-early in the 10th century, it was then under the government of a prince Djandja, i.e. Jhanjha, one of the Sîlâras of the Northern Konkan. These references show that the rulers of Chêmûlya, who in our inscription are reported to have been aided by Avasara [II.], most probably were Sîlâras of the northern branch of the family. Valipattana is shown by the passage, quoted on page 294 above, note 6, to have been situated, like Chêmûlya, on the coast; and the prominent manner in which it is mentioned in this inscription would seem to indicate that it was the capital at any rate of the earlier Silâras. The late Mr. Telang felt inclined to identify it with the Baltipatna of Ptolemy and Palaipatnai of the Periplus; 3 but this, even supposing it to be correct, would not help us to identify the place. I myself cannot suggest any probable identification, nor can I identify Chandrapura, which also was situated near the sea, as is shown by line 57 of our inscription, and was apparently the principal town of the Chandra-mandala, conquered by the chief Bhima.

The proper object of the inscription is stated in lines 33-61. Here the Mandalika, the glorious Batṭarāja, who meditates on the Paramabhaṭṭāraka Mahārājādhirāja, the glorious Satyāśrayadēva, informs the towns-men and country people and the chief ministers belonging to him, that, when the years from the time of the Saka king were nine hundred and thirty, on the full-moon tithi of Jyaishṭha of the current year Kilaka, he gave, as a reward of learning, to the learned preceptor, the holy Âtrêya,—a bee clinging to the lotuses, the feet of his preceptor, the holy Ambhôjaśambhu, who had dispelled the darkness of ignorance by the sun of true knowledge, come to him through a series of preceptors of the Karkarôni branch of the famous Mattamayūra line (or school of ascetics); who by intense self-mortification had destroyed every worldly attachment; who by the light of wisdom had revealed the way to heaven and final beatitude, and had secured fame in the three worlds by the acquisition of profound meditation,—for the purposes of worshipping with five-fold offerings the holy god Avvêsvara⁶ and keeping his shrine in proper repair, and of providing

¹ See No. 37 above.

² See Ind. Ant. Vol. IX. p. 35.

⁸ See ibid. Vol. XIII. p. 327, and Vol. VIII. p. 145,

⁴ According to the *Bombay Gazetteer*. Vol. XI. p. 345, Baltipatna (or Palaipatmai) would probably be the village of Pâlê, about two miles north-west of Mahâḍ in the Kôlâba district; but this identification seems to be very doubtful.

⁵ In the original the word anudhyata is used by itself, instead of the ordinary pad-anudhyata; see Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 17, note 2.

⁶ If the reading in line 42 should be intended to be purassaram (see page 300 below, note 11), the sense would be that Rattaraja, after worshipping with five-fold offerings the holy god Avvésvara, gave to Âtrêya, for the purposes of keeping (the god's shrine) in proper repair, etc.

food and raiment for the ascetics (of the shrine), and for the benefit of disciples, learned men, visitors and others:—

- (1.) the village of Kûshmâṇḍi, bounded on the east by the cistern $(prapā)^1$ of Maṇigrams, on the south by the road to the village of Vâparavaṭa, on the west by the water-course $(vdhald)^2$ of the village of Sachândalakapittha, and on the north by a salt river $(kshāra-nadi)^3$;
- (2.) the village of Asanavîra, bounded on the east by a water-course caused by heavy showers of rain (? dhâra-vâhalâ),4 on the south by the river of the village of Kâraparṇi, on the west by the sea, and on the north by the river of the village of Gavahaṇa;
- (3.) the village of Vadadgula, bounded on the east by the twin-rock (?) of the Bhôgadêva hill, on the south by the water-course of Akhadada, on the west by the stone of Patasada, and on the north by the sisavi (?) hill of the village of Stâmâna;

also a $jivalôka^5$ at the village of Dêvalakshmî, a châkântara at Vyadgarula, and a jihaka at Sayyāpalî.

Rattarâja at the same time (in lines 50-52) ordains, that these three villages and the rest, well defined as to their four boundaries, for every one belonging to the king (?)⁶ abhyantarasidha, not to be entered by the regular or irregular troups, are to be enjoyed, with the exception of previous gifts to gods and Brâhmanas, by the learned teachers of religious studentship born in the Karkarônî branch of the famous Mattamayûra line (or school), to be preserved to them as long as sun and moon endure. And he adds (in lines 56-61), that he has further assigned a gadiyâna⁷ of gold from every vessel arriving from foreign lands, and a dharana of gold from every ship arriving from Kandalamûlîya, excepting Chêmûlya and Chandrapura; also families of female attendants, a family of oilmen, a family of gardeners, a family of potters, and a family of washermen; also within the fort, for a jagatîpura, a piece of land bounded on the east by the wall of a dwelling-house, on the south by the "monkey gate," on the west by the road to Sîvața, and on the north by a street-well; and outside the fort, for a flower-garden, the land formerly known as "the mare's ground."

Lines 62-73 then contain an appeal to future rulers to protect this gift of religion (dharma10), threaten with the punishment of hell those who might resume it, and quote six of the ordinary

¹ The ordinary meaning of prapa is 'a place for watering cattle, a shed on the road-side for accommodating travellers with water.' Bal Gangadhar Sastri has translated the word by 'a creek,' because the Marath's synonym pôt in the dialect of the Southern Konkan (according to him) has that meaning, and because sheds for the distribution of water are as unknown as they are unnecessary in the Konkan.

³ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 206, note 33.

^{*} Kshára-nadi may possibly have to be taken as a proper name; compare Fhárépátan, the name of the town where this inscription has been found.

^{*} Dhara-vahala also may perhaps be a proper name; compare Akhadada-vahala below.

⁵ For the three words jivalóka, châkântara and jûhaka, which are quite clear in the original, I cannot suggest any suitable meaning.

⁶ If the intended reading in line 51 should be sarvvarajaktyanam=ahastaprakshepantyam=abhyantara-siddham, the translation (so far as it can be given) would be 'not to be touched with the hand (of appropriation) by any one belonging to the king, abhyantara-siddha,' etc.

⁷ This word, ordinarily spelt gadyana, is in Mr. Kittel's Kannada-English Dictionary explained to mean 'a weight about equal to a revvi or farthing, a kind of small gold coin (at Bellari, occasionally in Mysore); aharana is in the same dictionary said to be 'a sort of weight (for gold) variously reckoned.'

⁸ [Compare above, pp. 84 and 92, where a tax of one fanam on every boat is referred to.— E.H.]

The word jagattpura, which I have not met with elsewhere, may perhaps be similar in meaning to brakmapuri, 'an establishment for learned and pious Brâhmanas.'—[Or, jagattpura might be the same as jagatikatte, 'a raised square seat before a village, round a tree, etc.;' Sanderson's Canarese Dictionary.— E.H.]

M This word is used here as a neuter noun.

benedictive and imprecatory verses. And the inscription then (from line 73) concludes thus:— 'In confirmation of the above, the glorious Raṭṭarâja puts his hand to his signature,¹ acknowledging it to be his, the glorious Raṭṭarâja's, signature. A charter becomes faultless, when it is faultless as regards the seal, faultless as regards observances,² faultless as regards possession, when it is furnished with marks, and is faultless as regards the king's signature.— May there be bliss! This has been written by Lôkapârya, the son of the Sāmdhivigrahika,³ the illustrious Dêvapâla.'

The date of this inscription contains no details for verification; but Saka-Samvat 930 expired, by the southern luni-solar system, was the Jovian year Kîlaka, and for that year the given day, the full-moon day of Jyaishtha, would correspond to Saturday, the 22nd May, A.D. 1008.

Of the various villages and other localities, mentioned in the latter part of the inscription, I have not been able to identify any on the maps at my disposal.⁴ I can only draw attention to two points. Kandalamûlîya apparently was a portion of the coast of Western India; this follows both from the manner in which it is opposed to the foreign lands (dvîpântara), and from the fact that Chandrapura and Chêmûlya belonged to it. And Mattamayûra, which is mentioned in connection with the learned ascetics in whose favour the grant was made, must be the place of the same name which is spoken of in the Ranôd (or Narôd) inscription⁵ as a town of a chief Avantivarman, where a matha was founded by a great Śaiva ascetic, named Purandara. It clearly was situated in Central India.

TEXT.6

First Plate.

- 1 Ôm⁷ [||*] Ôm namaḥ Śivâya || ⁸Hêl-ôllâlita-chaṇḍa-daṇḍa-charaṇ-âmgushṭh-âgrabhâg-â-
- 2 hata-Svarggamg-ôdgata-šuktisampuṭa-galan-muktâ-bhrɨtam tandavê i panau vikshya kana-
- 3 lam-ásv=atha jatâ-chandr-âmrit-ôjjîvitam kamkâlam cha yad-adbhutam smitam=avatv=Îsêna tad=va-
- 4 ś=vi(chi)ram || [1*] Gôtram⁹ bhi[t*]tvâ na bhûtô na madhupa-vasatir=nnô sadâ dharmma-vakrô n=âkrântô da-

¹ As the text stands, the meaning must be that Rattaraja's name had already before been written on the charter, and that Rattaraja, by putting his hand to it, acknowledged the name so written to be his own signature.

³ I am not quite sure about the exact technical meaning of the terms kriyá-śuddha and bhukti-śuddha. The 'marks,' referred to by the word sa-chiksaka, are perhaps the representations of the sun and moon, and other objects, found on some copper-plates.

i.e. the minister for peace and war.

⁴ According to Bal Gangadhar Sastri the first village granted (the name of which he reads Santashmandi instead of Küshmandi) must have been situated between the villages of "Munche," "Bapurde" and "Sowdule," which will be found in the lower right corner of No. 40 and the lower left corner of No. 26 of the Indian Atlas, south-west of Kharêpâtan. This may possibly be right, and in favour of it I may say that, supposing it to be correct, the kshara-nadi of the text would be the river on which Kharêpâtan is situated; but the name of the last-mentioned village is distinctly Sachandalakapittha in the original inscription, and not Sacandala.

⁵ See Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 352.

⁶ From an impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

⁷ Expressed by a symbol.

⁸ Metre: Sardulavikridita. Ullálita is used here like the more common ullásita; compare, e.g., hél-óllásita in the Sárngadharapaddhati, verse 1087. Danda-charana has the sense of the ordinary charana danda.

⁹ Metre of verses 2 and 3: Sragdharâ. Vamsa is often used in similar verses in the double sense of 'bamboo' and 'lineage, race, family.' The double sense of most of the epithets in verse 2 is clear enough; by the words n=ānta-hinah in Pâda 2 I understand the author to say (with perfect truth, but here somewhat inappropriately) that the Râshtrakûta vamsa has come to an end, while the ordinary vamsa, the bamboo, is ananta, i. s. endless (or innumerable).

- 5 ṇḍa-kôṭyâ na cha para-pavan-âkampitô n=ânta-hînaḥ | n=âdhastân-nîta-mûlaḥ prakriti-ra-
- 6 ti-ghanô nô raṇê datta-pṛishṭhaḥ l¹ sô=pûrvvô=st=îha vaṁśô **Yadu-**kula-tilakô Râshṭrakûṭ-êśva-
- 7 râṇâm || [2*] Tatr=âsîd=**Dantidurgga**ḥ prabhur=api cha tataḥ **Kṛishṇar**âjaḥ pitrivyas=tasmâd=**G**ôvi-
- 8 ndarâjas=tam=anu Nirupamô 5smâj=Jagattumgadêvaḥ ||(|) tat-putrô= môghavarshyô(rshô)² ripu-vana-da-
- 9 hanô ssy=âpy=ath=Âkâlavarshshô(rshô) napt=âsya śr-Îndrarâjô ruchirataravapus=tat-sutô=môghava-
- 10 **rshya(rsha)**ḥ |(||) [3*] ³Śṛimgâra-rasa-nivâsô vasantavad=varavadhû-samûḥa-vritah | Harir=iva
- 11 tasya kanîyân=bhrâtâ Gôvindarâjô=bhût || [4*] 4Pitrivyas=tasy=âsî(sî)t=praṇaya-ja-5

Second Plate ; First Side.

- 12 natâ-kalpaviṭapî Kṛitâm்tô=râtînâm nayaguṇa-nidhir=**Vvaddiga-**nṛipaḥ pratichehhandah
- 13 sâkshât=kritayuga-nripâṇâm kali-yugê sad-âchâraḥ śântô munir≈iva **Jagattu**mga-tanayaḥ || [5*]
- 14 Sam(śam)bhôḥ6 Shaḍânana iv=Âtri-munêr=iv=êndû Râmô yathâ
 Dasa(śa)rathasya Harêr=Jjayantaḥ | tasy=âtmajô=
- 15 pi 7chaturamvu(bu)dhi-mêkhalâyâ bharttâ bhuvah samabhavad=bhuvi Kṛishṇarâjah || $[6^*]$ Sauram' bhi[t^*]tvâ mandalam
- 16 yôga-dṛishṭyâ yâtê tasmit(ñ)=Śaiva-sadm-âvakâśam | tasya bhrâtâ Khôṭik-âkhyas=tatô 5bhût=pṛithvî-bharttâ
- 17 tyâga-dhâm-ôrjjita-srî(śrî)ḥ || [7*] ⁹Kakkalas=tasya bh[r*]âtṛivyô bhuvô bharttâ jana-priyaḥ | âsît=prachaṇḍadhâm=êva
- 18 pratâpa-jita-śâtravaḥ || [8*] Samarê tam vinirjjitya Tailapô [5]bhûn=mahîpatiḥ | Châluky-ânvaya-bhrâ-
- 19 jishņur=arâti-gaja-kêsarî || [9*] Tasy=âtmajah param jishņuh khyâtah Satyâsra(śra)yô=bhavat | [ksh]i-10
- 20 t-îsvarah satya-vrittir=vikram-aika-ras-ôrjjitah || [10*] Êvam pravarddhamâna-Châluky-ânvaya-śrî-Satyâśra-

¹ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

² The reading intended by the writer, here and at the commencement of line 10, apparently is °varshshô and °varshshah; and °varshshô is actually engraved in line 9. But according to Pâṇini, viii. 4, 49, a sibilant may be doubled after r only before a following consonant.

³ Metre : Âryâ.

⁴ Metre : Sikharinî.

⁵ Read pranayi-ja-; this correction has perhaps been made already in the original.

⁶ Metre : Vasantatilakā.

⁷ Originally châtu° was engraved.

⁸ Metre: Śâlinî. Compare the Paráśara-smriti, Calcutta edition, p. 626:. Dváv imau purushau lókš sûryamandalabhêdinau | parivrád yógayuktas cha ranê chábhimukhô hatah ||.

⁹ Metre of verses 8-21: Ślôka (Anushtubh). The word prachanda-dhâmá in line 17 I take to be an epithet or a name of the sun; compare chandâmás and similar words.

¹⁰ This akshara, which is partly effaced, looks rather like khi or gvi in the impression. In the following line, it is somewhat difficult to say whether the actual reading is satya-vrittir or satva-vrittir.

- 22 Jîmûtakêtôh sat-putro nâmnâ Jîmûtavâhanah || [ll*] Tatah Silâra-vaṁśô=bhût=Simhala-kshmâbhri-
- 23 tâm varaḥ | prabhûta-bhûta-saubhâgya-bhâgyavân=ûrjjit-ôrjitaḥ || [12*] Nâmnâ [Sa]ṇaphullaḥ³ khyâtaḥ
- 24 **Kṛishṇarāja-**prasādavān | samudratîra-**Sahy-**ânta-dêśa-saṃsādhanô=bhavat⁴ (| [13*] Tat-putrô dharmma

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- 25 êv=âbhûn=nâmnâ **Dhammiyara**ḥ⁵ paraḥ | pratâpavân=mahâdurgga-**[Va]lipattana**-kṛit=kṛitî || [14*] Tasmâd=**A**i-⁷
- 26 yaparâjô=bhûd=vijigîshu-guṇ-ânvitaḥ snâtaś=Chandrapur-âsanna-8nâ[li]kêr-âmvu(mbu)n=âsa [ya]ḥ9 |(||). [15*]
- 27 Va(ba)bhûv=**Âvasaras**=tasmân=nîtisâ(sâ)str-ârtha-ta[t*]tva-vit | êka-mê(?nê)tra-10 pralagn-âri-kâṇḍaś=chaṇḍa-parâkramaḥ || [16*]
- 28 Âdityavarmmâ putrô=bhût=têjas=âdityavat=tatah | tasmâd=Avasarô jâtô jitârir=ddharmmavân=nripah || [17*]
- 29 ¹¹Chêmûlya-Chandrapura-ja-[kshm]âbhrit-sâhâyyam=adâd=yaḥ¹² | tatô=bhavad= Indrarâjas=¹³tyâga-bhôg-âtisu-
- 30 ndaraḥ || [18*] Tasmât=prabhûta-bhâgyô=bhûd=Bhîmô Bhîm-âbha-vikramaḥ têjasâ Râhuvad=grasta-Chandramaṇḍala
- 31 u[jjva]laḥ || [19*] Tataś=ch=Âvasarô râjâ jâtô=tîva vivêkavân | prâjñaḥ prâjňa-jan-âvâsaḥ

² Read Garutmad-datta-jivitah, similar to sva-sarira-danat, ibid. line 22; or, perhaps, Garutmad-atta-jivitah.

- 4 The sign of anusvara in samsadhanó is joined on to the letter j of "tórjitah in the preceding line, and looks as if it formed part of it.
 - ⁵ Bal Gangadhar Sastri read dharma-yasah-parah, and took the name of the chief to be Dharma,
- ⁶ The akshara in brackets might perhaps be read pa (instead of va); but Valipattana and Valinagara occur in another Silâra inscription; see above, p. 294, note 6.
 - 7 Bal Gangadhar Sastri read tasmát Daiyaparájó, and in his translation the name given is 'Diyapa Râja.'
- 8 Originally -ásama- appears to have been engraved, but it has clearly been altered to -ásanna-. In the second syllable of the following word nálikér- the l has a rather unusual form.
 - 9 This akshara might also be read pah.
- 10 Originally mê was engraved, but it clearly appears to have been altered to nê. The other aksharas, up to the end of the line, are quite distinct in the original, and can only be read as given above; but the meaning of the compound, beginning with êka and ending with kándas, I do not understand. The passage probably should mean that Avasara, singly, was able to subdue a multitude of adversaries (ari-kánda); but I do not know what to make of êka-nêtra and of pralagna which does not seem to be used elsewhere. Bal Gangadhar Sastri read chakramêtra, but has not translated the word.
 - n Bal Gangadhar Sastri's text has yetratya. Below, line 57, the word Chemulya is quite clear in the original.
- 12 The metre is incorrect here. Between the aksharas yya and ma another akshara seems to have been originally engraved; but it is quite effaced.
 - Originally orajostyaga- was engraved, but the sign for o has been struck out again.

¹ [Rattapátt is a Sanskritised form of the Dravidian Irattapádi, the designation of the empire of the Rashtrakûtas and, later on, of the Western Châlukyas; see, e.g., South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. pp. 63 and 96, and Vol. II. pp. 8 and 94.— E. H.]—Compare with Rattapátim=anuśásati the phrase kathávabhásê (cr kathávaíéshé?) satī Ratta-rájyé, in line 20 of the grant of Aparâjita, page 272 above.

The sign of the first akshara of this name is quite clear in the original, and its right-hand portion undoubtedly is like that of the ordinary sign for sa; but the lower part of it has a peculiar form and looks somewhat like the sign for la. I believe that sa is intended, but that the engraver's tool slipped in forming the lower part of the letter, and gave it thus a somewhat strange appearance. Bal Gangadhar Sastri read the name Jhalaphulla, and Dr. Bhandarkar, Early History of the Dekkan, p. 93, note 2, would read it Sanaphulla.

- [śû]rah paramarûpavân || [20*] ¹Ratta-nâm-âbhavat=tasmâd=râjâ puṇyavatâm varah | nîti-jñô nîti-
- 33 så(śâ)str-ârtha-vṛi[ddha]-sêvî jit-êndriyaḥ || [21*] Paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhirâjaśri-Satyaśrayade-
- 34 v-ânudhyâta-mandalika-srî(śrî)-Rattarājah sarvvam=êva² sva-samva(ba)dhyamanapaura-jânapada-pradhâ-
- nâmâtya-varggam=âhûy=âstu³ vaḥ samviditam yath=ântarlîna-jarâ-pûtan-âravdha(bdha)grāsam yauva-
- niraya-patanam=iv=êshţa-viyôga-duḥkham vyâvi(dhi)-jarâ-maraṇa-sâdhâraṇam 36 nam cha
- **śar**îrakam ⁴pavana-chala-kamaladala-gata-jalalava-sadrisî dhan-âyushî

Third Plate ; First Side.

- 38 matvå dåna-phalañ=cha⁵ vivêka-vu(bu)ddhyâ || uktam cha munibhih | 6Agnêr= apatyam prathamam su-
- varnnam 7dyaur=Vvaishnavî 39 Sûrya-sutâś=cha gâvah lôka-trayam têna bhavêd=vi(dhi) dattam yah kâmchanam
- gâm cha mahîñ=cha dadyât |(||) iti muni-vachanam=avadhârya pitrôr=uddêsên= âtmanaś=cha śrêyasê Śa-
- 41 kanripa-kâl-âtîta-samvatsara-nava-satêshu8 trimsad-adhikêshu pravarttamâna-Kîlaka-samvatsa-9
- 42 r-ântargata-Jyê(jyai)shtha-paurnnamâsyâm śrîmad-Avvéśvaradéva-10 panchôpachâra-pûjā-purassara-khanda-sphu-11
- 43 tita-samskâr-âdy-artham sat-tapasvi-bhôjan- \hat{a} chchhâdana-chchhâ $[t^*]$ tra-vidvajjanâbhyâgat-âdy-upayôg-âdy-artha-
- Kûshmâṇḍî-grâmas-tasy=âghaṭṭâ(ṭṭa)nâni¹³ 112 kathyattê(ntê) pûrvyatô Manigrâma-prapâ dakshinatô Vâparavata-
- paschimatah Sachandalakapittha-grama-vahala | uttaratah kshara-45 grâma-mârgaḥ nadî 4 tathâ 5-
- sanavîra-grâmas=tasya pûrvvatô dhâra-vâhalâ dakshinatah Karaparnnî-gramanadî | paśchimatah
- samudrah¹⁴ 47 uttaratô Gavahana-grâma-nadî tathâ Vadadgula-grāmas=tasva pûrvvatô Bhôgadêva-parvva-
- 48 ta-yamala-prastarô dakshinatô 5khadada-vâhalâ | paśchimatah Paṭasada-pâshânah uttaratah

¹ Bal Gangadhar Sastri read Rahs-, here and below. With nttifastrartha-vriddha-sect compare dgamavriddha-sêvî in the Raghuvamsa, vi. 41.

² Originally sarvvám=êva (or perhaps sarvván=êva) was engraved.

Between ahûya and astu one misses a verb like sambôdhayati.

⁴ Originally pavanam was engraved.

⁵ As the text stands, the Accusative dana-phalam must be made to depend on mated; but I should rather have expected the Genitive dana-phalasya, dependent on viveka-buddhya. 6 Metre: Indravajra.

⁷ Read bhûr=. 8 Read -samvatsara -. Bal Gangadhar Sastri read Arghéivaradéva-, but Avvéivara o is quite clear in the original. See above,

¹¹ Possibly the intended reading may be .purassaram khanda-, and in that case the adverb ending with -purassaram ought to be taken to qualify the verb samadát (for samadám) in line 56, below.

B This sign of punctuation and all the others up to the end of the sentence in line 56 are superfluous.

The correction in this word seems to have been made already in the original.

Here and in several places below the rules of samdhi have not been observed.

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- 49 Stâmâna-grâma-sîsavî-parvvataḥ || 4 || tathâ. Dêvalakshmî-grâmê jîva-lôkaḥ | 1 | Vyadgarulê châ-
- 50 kântaraḥ l | Sayyâpalyâm jûhakaḥ l | tad=êtad=grâmatray-âdikam chaturâghâta-vichchhinnam sarvva-1
- 51 râjakîyây=âbhyantara-siddham=achâtabhaṭapravêsa³ pûrvvadatta-dêvadâyavra(bra)hmadâya-varjjam śrî-Matta-

Third Plate; Second Side.

- 52 mayûr-ânvaya-Karkarônî-samtati-prasûta-vidvad-vra(bra)hmachary-3 â [c h] â r y a bhôgyam=âchamdrârkam pâlaniyam | śrîma-
- 53 n-Mattamayûr-ânvay-ântargata-Karkarôṇi(ṇî)-santâna-gurukramâyâta-siddhântata[t*]tv-ârk-âpahṛita-môhâ-
- 54 ndhatamasânâm tapômahima-pradhvast-âsêshasangânâm pravô(bô)dhapradîpa-prakâsitasvargâpavargamârgânâm
- 55 samâdhijaya-lavdha(bdha)-tribhuvanakîrttînâm śrîmad-Ambhôjaśambhu-guru(rû)ṇâm charanakamal-ântarlîna-madhu-
- 56 liḍbhyaḥ śrîmad-Âtrêya-vidvad-gurubhyô vidyâdâna-svarûpêṇa samadât⁴ tathâ dvîpântar-âyâta-vahi-
- 57 trât=svarṇṇa-gadiyâṇaṁ l Chêmûlya-Chand[r*]apura-varjja-Kandalamûlîy-âyâtapravahaṇât=svarṇṇa-dharaṇaṁ [|*]
- 58 dârikâ-kuṭumvâ(mbâ)ni cha l tailika-kuṭumva(mba)m=êkaṁ l mâlâkâra-kuṭumvaṁ(mbaṁ) l kumbhakâra-kuṭumva(mbaṁ) l raja-
- 59 ka-kutumva(mbam) l [i*] durg-âbhyantarê cha jagatîpur-ârtha-bhûmim⁵ tasyâ âghattanâni kathyantê pûrvvatô vasati-
- 60 prâkârô dakshiṇatô markkaṭa-gôpuram paschimataḥ Śîvaṭa-mârga uttaratô mârga-kûpaḥ ||(|)| durgâd=va-
- 61 hiś=cha pushpavâṭy-artham pûrvva-prasiddha-vadavâ-bhuvam || O || Tad=idam dharmmam mâmakînam=âtmanînair=bhâ-
- 62 vibhir=narêndrair=anupâlanîyam6=uktañ=cha munibhih | ⁷ Yân=îha dattâni **purâ** narêndrair=dânâni
- 63 dharmm-ârtha-yasa(śa)s-karâṇi | nirmmâlya-vânta-pratimâni tâni kô nâma sâdhuḥ punar=âdadîta |(||) Va(ba)-8
- 64 hubhir=vvasudhâ bhuktâ râjabhiḥ Sagar-âdibhiḥ ||(|) yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis= tasya tasya ta-
- 65 dâ phalam |(||) Sadyô dâna[m] nirâyâsam sâyâsam dîrgha-pâlanam | ata êva=rshayah

Fourth Plate.

- 66 prâhur=dânâch=chhrêyô=nupâlanam |(||) Da[t*]tvâ9 bhûmim bhâvinah pârthivêndrân=bhûyô bhûyô yâ-
- 67 chatê Râmabhadrah | sâmânyô=yam dharmma-sêtur=nṛipâṇâm kâlê kâlê pâlanîyô bhavadbhih |(||)

^{&#}x27; Sarvardjakiyây=ábhyantara-siddham I have not met with anywhere else. Instead of the first word I should have expected sarvarâjakiyânâm=akastaprakshêpaniyam or some similar phrase.

² Read °pravésam or °pravésyam.

³ Originally -vrahmachary- was engraved.

⁴ Read samadám.

One would have expected here -artham bhûmim.

⁶ Read onlyam | uo.

⁷ Metre: Indravajra.

⁸ Metre: Šlôka (Anushtubh); and of the next verse.

⁹ Metre : Śalinî.

- 68 Yas=tv=êvam=abhyarthitô=pi kalikâla-mushita-manaskah purâtana-dharmmadâya-luptim karishyati
- 69 sa êva niraya[m] phalam=anubhavishyati | uktam cha [|*] ¹Sva-dattâm para-dattâm=vâ² yô harêta .vasumdha(ndha)râ-
- 70 m | ³ shashtir=varsha-sahasrâṇi vishthâyâṁ sa kṛimir=bhavêt |(||) ³Shashtir=varsha-sahasrâṇi svarggê tishtha-
- 71 ti bhûmi-daḥ | âchchhêttâ ch=ânumantâ cha tâny=êva narakam vrajêt |(||) iti muni-vachanâny=avadhâ-
- 72 rya samast-âgâmi-nṛipatibhiḥ pâlana-dharmma-phala-lôbha êva karaṇîyaḥ l na
- 73 s=tal-lôpa-kalanka-parair=bhavitavyam ((||) Yathâ ch=aitad=êvam⁴ śrî-Raṭṭarâjaḥ sya-hastê sya-hasta-
- 74 m=ârôpayati sva-hastô=yam mama śrî-Raṭṭarâjasya |(||) ⁵ Mudrâ-śuddham kriyâ-śuddham bhukti-
- 75 śuddham sa-chihnakam | râjasyahasta-śuddham tu śuddhim-âyâti śâsanam | @
- 76 Śivam=astu || Sâmdhivigrahika-śrî-Dêvapâla-sutêna Lôkapârya-nâmnâ likhita-
- 77 m=idam ||

No. 41.— VERAWAL IMAGE INSCRIPTION;

VALABHI-SAMVAT 927.

By F. KIELHORN, PH.D., LL.D., C.I.E.; GÖTTINGEN.

This inscription, which was discovered by the late Dr. Bhagvanlal Indraji, is on the pedestal of an old image, built into a wall of the modern temple of the goddess Harsatadêvî, at Vêrâwal, the ancient Sômanâthadêvapattana, in Kâthiâwâd.⁶ It has been already published in Archæological Survey of Western India, No. 11 (List of Antiquarian Remains, Bombay Presidency), p. 185. I now re-edit it from an un-inked paper estampage, kindly procured by Mr. Haridas Viharidas, Diwân of Junâgadh, which has been placed at my disposal by Dr. Fleet.⁷

The inscription contains five lines of writing which covers a space of exactly 1' broad by $2\frac{1}{2}$ " high, and is well preserved throughout. The size of the letters is about $\frac{2}{3}$ " The characters are the kind of Någarî which we find in the Jaina palm-leaf MSS. of the 12th and 13th centuries. The language is Sanskrit, rendered incorrect by the influence of Pråkrit, which shows itself in the spelling of names, in the absence of the proper case-terminations, and in the employment of the form $k\hat{a}r\hat{a}pit\hat{a}$, for $k\hat{a}rit\hat{a}$, in line 5; and the whole text is in prose.

The object of the inscription is, to record that, on a date which will be given below, the śréshṭhin Mūlajūga, a member of the Gallaka³ caste (or clan), and his wife, the śréshṭhinî Mūlajūga, their son, the seller of perfumes Jūjā, and his wife Shêvaḍa; and their sons Jayatā.

¹ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and of the next verse.

² Read -dattām vā.

³ Read shashtim.

⁴ After this, one would have expected the word tatha; compare the grant of Aparajita, above, p. 275, text line 83.

⁵ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁶ See Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, Introduction, p. 91; Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 241; and the Bombay Gazetteer, Vol. VIII. p. 686.

⁷ The photo-lithograph opposite page 306 is from Dr. Bhagvanlal Indraji's cloth-rubbing.—[Regarding the painted inscription of the Mahârâja Bhîmasêna, which is reproduced on the same Plate, see Sir A. Cunningham's Reports, Vol. XXI. p. 119 f. and Plate xxx.— E. H.]

^{8 [}Compare the Kanarese and Telugu golla, 'a cowherd.' - E. H.]

Jasadêva and Jasapâla, and other (members of the family), at Dêvapattana (i.e. Šômanâthadêvapattana), caused to be made for purposes of worship an image of the holy Gôvardhana—the image below which the inscription is engraved—for their and their ancestors' spiritual welfare; and that this image was carved by the artizan Râghava, the son of the artizan Vîmjhadêva.

The only point of general interest in this inscription is the date in line 1,- srîmad-Valabhî-sa[m]vat 927 varshê Phâlguna-śudi 2 Sômê— i.e. 'on Monday, the 2nd of the bright half of Phâlguna, in the year 927 of the era of the famous Valabhî.' This date has been already fully discussed by Dr. Fleet, in his Gupta Inscriptions, Introduction, pp. 90-93. The reading of it, which was adopted by Dr. Fleet, is now by the paper estampage proved to be the true reading, and, with this reading, the European equivalent of the date undoubtedly is, as Dr. Fleet gave it, Monday, the 19th February, A.D. 1246. The only difficulty presented by this equivalent is, that Monday the 19th February, A.D. 1246, falls in Saka-Samyat 1167 expired (=Vikrama-Samvat 1302 expired), and that thus there is here a difference of only 240 years between the Valabhî year (927) and the corresponding expired Śaka year (1167), while in the case of some other Gupta[-Valabhi] dates this difference amounts to 241 years. To explain this discrepancy, it might be said that the years of those other Gupta[-Valabhî] dates are expired years, and that the writer of this date, exceptionally, quoted a current year; and such an explanation would no doubt accord well with the practice of other eras. Yet, in the present instance, I would rather suggest a different explanation. I find it somewhat difficult to believe that in the 13th century A.D. the people of Kâthiâwâd should have possessed a true knowledge of the exact epoch of the original Gupta era. The era then in common use among them was the Vikrama era, and what men knew or believed was, that Valabhî had been destroyed 375 years after the commencement of the Vikrama era, and that an era had once been in use which dated from that event. Now the meaning of the traditional verse² about the destruction of Valabhi having taken place 375 years after Vikrama can in my opinion only have been this, that, to convert a Vikrama year into the corresponding Valabhî year, it was necessary to deduct 375 from the Vikrama year. This I believe to have actually been done in the date of the Verawal stone inscription of Arjunadêva,3 where the Valabhî year 945 is quoted by the side of the Vikrama year 1320; and this I believe to have been done also in the present date. In other words, I believe that the year of this date is really Vikrama-Samvat 1302 expired (and must be treated as such for the purpose of calculation), and that the writer, desirous of quoting the obsolete era, attained his purpose by putting down in the date the year Valabhî-Samvat 1302-375=927.4

TEXT.5

1 Ôm⁶ || Śrimad-Valabhi-sa[m]vat 927 varshê Phâlguna-śudi 2 Sômé⁷ || Ady=êha śri-Dêvapattanê

¹ Or the meaning may be, that the image was caused to be made by the *irêshṭḥini* Môḍhî, the wife of Mùlajôga; by Shêvaḍa, the wife of Jôjâ, a son of the former; and by the sons of Jôjâ and Shêvaḍa, and other (members of the family).

² See Professor Peterson's Third Report, p. 4, and App. p. 285, v. 102; also Mêrutunga's Prabandha-chintamani, p. 279:—

Panasayari vásdim tinni saydim aïkkaméúna 1 Vikkama-kaláu taó Valahi-bhangó samuppannó 11

³ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XIX. p. 180, No. 129.

⁴ I should perhaps state here that the above remarks, which I see no reason to modify, were written and sent to Bombay to be printed in June 1890, before the publication of Dr. Fleet's valuable paper on the Gupta-Valabhi era in *Ind. Ant.* Vol. XX. p. 376 ff. For all practical purposes my views entirely agree with those of Dr. Fleet.

⁵ From a paper estampage, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

⁶ Expressed by a symbol.

⁷ Originally Saumê was engraved, the vowel au being written by one line before, one line after, and one line above the sign for s; but the superscript line, which turns δ into au, has clearly been struck out.

- 2 sakala-râjâvalî-pûrvam¹ Gallakajâtîya-śrêshṭhi-Mûlajôga bhâryâ śrê^{cg}-Môḍhî³ tathâ
- 3 ta-gamdhika-Jôjâ bhâryâ Shêvada tathâ putra-Jayatâ-dvitîyaputra-Jasadêvatritîyaputra-
- 4 Jasapâla-prabhritaya śrî-Gôvarddhana-mûrtti namaskaraṇâr[ttha]m sva-śrêyasê pûrvajânâm śrêyô-
- 5 bhivriddhayê sva-bhaktyâ kârâpitâ || Sûtra⁶-Vîmjhadêva-putra-sûtra⁶-Râghavêna(ṇa) ghatitâ || chha [||]

No. 42.— SITABALDI INSCRIPTION OF THE TIME OF VIKRAMADITYA VI.;

SAKA-SAMVAT 1008.

By F. Kielhorn, Ph.D., LL.D., C.I.E.; Göttingen.

This inscription is on an elaborately sculptured pillar which was found by the late General Sir A. Cunningham at Sitabaldi, near Någpur, in the Central Provinces, and is now in the Government Museum at Någpur.⁷ To judge from the photograph before me, the sculptured part of the pillar measures about 5' high by $2\frac{1}{2}'$ broad, of which the inscription occupies the middle portion. Above the inscription is a row of small figures, and above these are, in the centre a linga, and on the two sides of it representations of the gods Brahman and Vishnu; below the inscription are some cows and calves, and below these there is again a row of small figures, apparently fighting. I edit the inscription from an estampage, supplied to me some years ago by Dr. Fleet.

The inscription contains 11 lines of writing which covers a space of about 2' broad by 11" high, and is fairly well preserved. The size of the letters is about 1" in the upper lines, and rather less than $\frac{3}{4}$ " in the lower ones. The characters are Nâgarî. The language is very incorrect Sanskrit, and the whole is in prose. In respect of orthography, it will be sufficient to note that the consonant b, with perhaps one exception, is expressed by the sign for v, and that the dental sibilant is generally employed for the palatal, and the palatal once for the dental (in sahaśraváhu, 1. 6). As regards grammar and lexicography, attention may especially be drawn to the Prâkrit termination u in saku, 1. 1, dásu, 1. 8, tatparu and dhavalu, 1. 9, and dvádasu, 1. 10; to the employment of the words chadaka, 1. 5, and paṇati, 'a great-grandson,' and nîti, 'a grandson,' 1. 8, which must have been taken from the author's vernacular; and to the peculiar construction of the numerals in line 10.

Opening with the words 'ôm, may it be well,' and a date which will be considered below, the inscription (in lines 2-4) refers itself to the reign of victory of 'the refuge of the universe, the favourite of Fortune and of the Earth,' the Mahārājādhirāja Paramēšvara Paramabhaṭṭūraka, the glorious Tribhuvanamalladēva, the frontal ornament of the family of Satyāśraya and

¹ With this phrase, for the employment of which there was no reason here, compare rájávalt-pároram in Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 191, line 1 of the inscription.

² i.e. áréshthint.

[•] The superscript line of 6 is very faint in the estampage.

[·] i.e. -prabhritayah, for -prabhritibhih.

Read -murttir=. 6 i.e. sûtradhâra-.

⁷ See Archael. Survey of India, Vol. VII. p. 142; and the Gazetteer of the Central Provinces, p. 341.

s In the name Bopapai in line 8, if my reading of it is correct.

^{*} Compare Ind. Ast. Vol. XVI. p. 207.

ornament of the Châlukyas, i.e. the king Vikramâditya VI. of the Western Châlukya dynasty.1 It then mentions (in lines 4-7), as a dependent of the king, the Mahâsâmarta² Dhâḍibha[m]daka, also called the Rânaka Dhâdiadêva, who had emigrated from Latalaura, was born in the Mahârâshtrakûta lineage, and was distinguished by such titles as 'the scatterer of hostile armies, in war a Sahasrabâhu,3 a nterine brother of others' wives, the wrestler of all wrestlers, he who obtained favour by a boon of (the goddess) Châmundâ.' And in lines 7-10 the inscription records that a dependent of this Dhâdiadêva, the Dandanâyaka' Vâsudêva, a son of the bhatta Padmanâbha, grandson of the bhatta [Bô]papai and great-grandson of the bhatta Vîthapai, who belonged to the Kânva śâkhâ and Vatsa gôtra and had five pravaras, and who also had emigrated from Latalaura, 'a slave to cows and Brâhmanas' and ardent worshipper of the god Vishnu,5 who had obtained favour by a boon of (the god) Nârasimha (Vishnu), gave 12 nivartanas of land, which had been purchased by him, for the grazing of cattle; also 7 nivartanas for daily food given to cattle; and 5 nivartanas for váhaka (?),6 apparently to a temple at which the inscription was put up. The concluding line 11 states that, whosoever appropriates the land so given, robs the gods Brahman, Vishņu and Mahêśvara (Śiva); and that, who steals the cows from it, falls into hell.

The inscription is dated, in lines 1-2, in Śaka-Samvat 1008, on Friday, the third lunar day of the bright half of Vaiśākha of the year Prabhava. By the southern luni-solar system the year Prabhava would be Śaka-Samvat 1009, not 1008, expired; but the date does not work out satisfactorily for either year, nor for the four surrounding years. For the third tithi of the bright half of Vaiśākha ended,—

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in Saka-Samvat 1006 expired, on Thursday, 11th April, A.D. 1084;
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- " " " 1007 expired, on Monday, 31st March, A.D. 1085;
- ", " " 1008 expired, on Sunday, 19th April, A.D. 1086;
- " " " " 1009 expired, on Thursday,7 8th April, A.D., 1087;
- " " " 1010 expired, on Tuesday, 28th March, A.D. 1088; and Wednesday, 26th April, A.D. 1088;
- " " " 1011 expired, on Monday, 16th April, A.D. 1089.

In my opinion, the day intended by the date is really Thursday, the 8th April, A.D. 1087, and the writer made a mistake in regard to the week-day.

The place Latalaura, which is twice mentioned in this inscription, I am unable to identify.

TEXT.8

- 1 Ôm⁹ svasti [||*] ¹⁰Sakanripa-kâl-âtîta¹¹-samvvatsar-âmtarggata-daśaśata ya[tra] ashtatyadhikê¹⁹ Saku 1008 Prabhava-sam-
- 2 vatsarê Vaisākha-su[dha]-tritiyā-Sukradinê¹³ ady=êha samastabhuvanâṣraya-Śrî-Prithvî-vallabha-ma-

* i.e. 'one who applies the rod,' a head police-officer, etc.

5 The exact sense of the word wbhayadvada[so]dhavalu of the text is not apparent.

- 6 About the meaning of the word váhaka also I am doubtful; perhaps it denotes here the drivers or attendants of the cattle.
 - 7 On this day the third tithi of the bright half ended 16 h. 9 m. after mean sunrise.
 - ⁸ From an impression, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.
 ⁹ Expressed by a symbol.
- 10 The date would have been correctly expressed thus: Śakanripa-kâl-áttta-samvatsara-éatéshu daśasv=ashţ-ádhikéshu yatr=ánkatô=pi Śakê 1008 Prabhava-samvatsar-ántargata-Vaisákha-éuddha-tritíyá-Śukradinē.
 - 11 The aksharas la and ta, having been originally omitted, are engraved above the line.
 - ¹³ This may possibly have been altered to ashtadhikê.
- 13 Here and in other places below, which it is unnecessary to point out separately, the rules of saindhi have not been observed.

¹ See Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 48; and Dr. Bhandarkar's Early History of the Dekkans p. 64.

² i.e. 'the great feudatory.'

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- 3 hârâjâdhirâja-paramêsva(śva)ra-paramabhaṭṭâraka-Satyâśrayakulatilaka-Châlukyâbharaṇa-śrî-
- 4 ma[t]-Tri(tri)bhuvanamalladêva-mahî-pravarddhamâna-kalyâṇavijayarâjyê^l tatpâdapadm-ôpajîvî La[ta]-
- 5 laura-vinirggata³ Mahârâshṭrakûṭṭ(ṭ)-ânvaya-prasûta³ mahâsâmaṁtaḥ
 Dhâḍibha[ṁ?]ḍakaḥ ariva(ba)lachaḍa[ka]³-saṁgrâmaSa-
- 6 ha[śra(sra)]vâ(bâ)hu-paranârîsahô[da]ra-[sa*]masta[ma]llamalla-Châmuṁḍâvaralav d h a (bdha)prasâda-nâm⁴-âdi-samastarâjâvalî-sama-
- 7 lamkrita-śrî-**Dhâḍiadêva-**râṇakam̄⁵ || tatpâdapadm-ôpajîvî⁶ Latalauravinirggataḥ⁷ Kâṇva-sâkhâyâm̄⁸ Vachchha(tsa)gôtrîya[ḥ?]
- 8 pamchapravar[î]ya⁹ bhaṭṭa-Vîṭhapai-paṇatî¹⁰ bhaṭṭa-[Bô]papai¹¹-n**î**tî bhaṭṭa-Padmanâbhaputra¹² gô-vrâ(brâ)hmaṇa-dâsu¹³ Vishṇu-pâdapamkaj-â-
- 9 râdhana-tatparu ubhayadvâda[sô]dhavalu¹⁴ l⁶Nârasiṁghavaralavdha(bdha)prasâda-daṁdanâyaka-śrî-Vâsudêvêna gô-prachârasy=ârthê suva-
- 10 rnnêna grihîta-bhûmi-nivarttana-dvâdasu¹⁶ amkê 12 tathâ gavâhnika-nivartta[na*]-sapta 7 [vâ]haka-nivarttana-pamcha 5 êtadîya-bhûmau¹⁷ pra-
- 11 [tipâda]nîyâ [|*] étadîya-bhûmô¹⁸ [ja]ḥ lôpayamti têna Vra(bra)hma-Vishṇu-Mahêsva(śva)ram lôpayamti [|*] évam ya gau lôpayati sa kumbhîpâka patati [||*]

No. 43.—TIDGUNDI PLATES OF THE TIME OF VIKRAMADITYA VI.; [CHALUKYA-]VIKRAMA-SAMVAT 7.

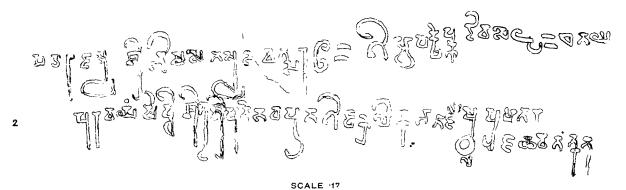
By F. Kielhorn, Ph.D., LL.D., C.I.E.; GÖTTINGEN.

These plates were found, about thirty-five years ago, at the village of Tidgundi, about twelve miles north of the city of Bijâpur, in the Bijâpur tâlukâ of the Bijâpur district of the

- ¹ Originally °rdjyêh appears to have been engraved. The following sign of punctuation is superfluous.
- ² Read -vinirggató and -prasútó.
- This word chadaka is not Sanskrit; it probably is connected with the root chat, 'to break,' and apparently the whole biruda is equivalent to aribalanishudana. Compare also the Marathi chadaka, 'a slap, a stroke.'
 - 4 Naman is quite superfluous here; its sense is contained in the following samastarájávals.
- ⁵ Read -ranakah; but the words in the whole phrase, beginning with tatpadapadm-opajici in line 4, should really have been put in the Locative. The following sign of punctuation is again superfluous.
- ⁶ This word and the following words in the Nominative case, qualifying as they do Vasudêvêna in line 9, should have been put in the Instrumental.
 - 7 This sign of visarga was originally omitted.
 - 8 Read -śâkhâyâm, or perhaps rather -śâkhłyô.
- 9 Bead ortyo.
- 10 Panati and niti in the following compound are clearly closely related to and synonymous with the Marathi panatu, 'great-grandson,' and natu, 'grandson;' the Sanskrit words would be pranapta and napta.
- 11 The first akshara of this name might also be read vvô or, perhaps, ghô; the last akshara was originally pau, but has been altered to pai.
 - 12 Read -putro.
 - On the termination s of this and of some of the following words see my remarks on page 304 above.
- 14 The akshara in brackets may possibly be sys. I do not understand the exact meaning of this compound; perhaps it has reference to religious observances on the 12th day (dvadass) of the two halves of the month.

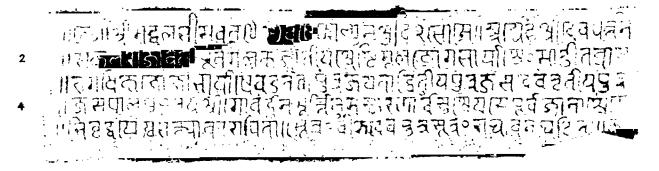
 15 Read Narasimha.
- 16 Intended for grilltáni bhûmi-nivarttanáni dvádasa. On the construction of the numerals here and below compare Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 207.
 - 17 Probably intended for étá bhúmayah pratipáditáh.
- 18 Read étá bhúmír-yê lópayamti tế Brahma-Vishnu-Mahééraráml=lópayamti | éram yó gd lópayati sa kumbhipáké patati ||

Painted Inscription of the Maharaja Bhimasena.—The Year 52.



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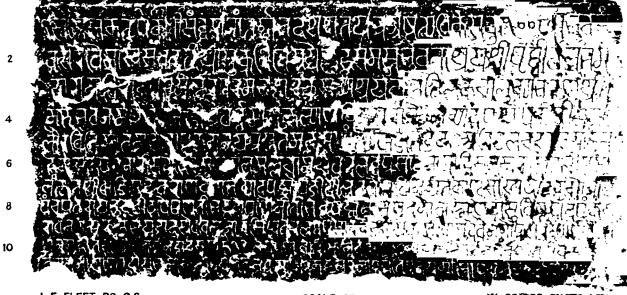
Verawal Image Inscription.—Valabhi-Samvat 927.



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FROM A RUBBING BY PANDIT BHAGWANLAL INURAJL

Sitabaldi Inscription of the time of Vikramaditya VI.—Saka-Samvat 1008.



J. F. FLEET, BO. C.S.

SCALE -25

W. GRIGGS, PHOTO-LITH

Bombay Presidency; and they were recently in the possession of the late Mr. Sh. P. Pandit, who has published a translation of the inscription which they contain, with a lithograph of the text, in the *Indian Antiquary*, Vol. I. p. 80 ff. I edit the inscription from two excellent impressions, supplied to me by Dr. Fleet.

These are three copper-plates, the second of which is engraved on both sides, while the others are so on one side only. Each plate measures about 121 "broad by 9" high. The edges of the plates are fashioned thicker, so as to serve as rims to protect the writing, and the writing in consequence is in a perfect state of preservation throughout. The plates are strung on a ring, which had not been cut when this record came into Dr. Fleet's hands. This ring is about $4\frac{1}{8}$ " in diameter and $\frac{5}{8}$ " thick, and holds a circular seal, about $2\frac{5}{8}$ " in diameter. The seal contains, in relief on a countersunk surface, in the centre a lion or tiger, standing to the proper right, with the head turned to the front; above it, in the middle the moon, on the left the sun, and on the right an open right hand, held up with the palm to the front; beneath the lion or tiger, from the right to the left, a straight sword or dagger, a palm-tree (?), a cobra, standing on the tip of its tail, with the hood expanded, and a svastika, the short turn-backs of which are going the wrong way. The weight of the three plates is $554\frac{1}{2}$ tolas, and that of the ring and seal $106\frac{1}{2}$ tolas; total, 661 tolas.—The size of the letters is between $\frac{7}{16}$ and $\frac{9}{16}$. The characters are Nâgarî; they include the sign of the upadhmânîya, in the word vâhpa, in line 28. The language is Sanskrit; but the birudas in lines 32 to 39 have the terminations of the Kanarese nominative case (anu, am or a),1 and the text contains, in addition to some Kanarese proper names, five words which are Kanarese, adata, l. 34, banta, l. 36, bentekara, l. 35, and manneya and sâmya, l. 42. The inscription opens with three verses glorifying, or invoking the blessing of, the gods Vishnu and Siva, and ends with one of the ordinary imprecatory verses, and it also contains two verses in lines 24-32 and one verse in lines 40-42; the rest is in prose. As regards orthography, ri is generally employed instead of the vowel ri, and b is always denoted by the sign for v; the dental sibilant is often used instead of the palatal, and the palatal twice instead of the dental (in sahaśra, l. 16, and śva-dattâm, l. 48); and the word êsha is written yêsha in line 25 (and was so written originally also in line 26), and tâmra—tâmvra in line 48. As regards the inscription in general, it may be noted that the main part of it, from line 8 to line 44, consists really of a single sentence, but that this sentence is broken up by the insertion of descriptions of the two personages chiefly concerned, which, rather oddly, are worded just as an independent document or order of either would be expected to commence.

The inscription refers itself to the reign of the Western Châlukya Tribhuvanamalladêva³ (Vikramâditya VI.); and records that, on a date which will be given below, a dependent of Tribhuvanamalla, the Mahâmaṇḍaléśvara king (mahîpatî) Muñja—a son of Sindarâja, who was the eldest son of Bhîma, the governor of the Pratyaṇḍaka-Fourthousand, of the Sinda vaṅá—sold the Vâyvaḍa group of twelve villages, with the exception of the village of Takkalîkâ, to another dependent of Tribhuvanamalla, the Mahâsâmanta Kannasâmanta. Of both the vendor and the purchaser a large number of birudas are enumerated in the text; here it will suffice to draw attention to the titles of Muñja, a few of which may hereafter perhaps turn out to be of some historical importance.

The date on which the above sale is stated to have taken place, is 'Sunday, the first of the bright half of Kârttika, when six years of the glorious Vikrama time had elapsed, in the seventh current year, the year Dundubhi.' The era here employed is more commonly described

^{1 [}Révanadévan=ankakdra in line 36 contains the Kanarese genitive °dévana; on ankakdra, 'a champion,' see Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 41; Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 276 f.; and von Böhtlingk's Abridged Dictionary, s. v. Nagit. Bantara in the same line is the gen. plur. of banta.— E. H.]

³ Originally the vowel ri was throughout written by the syllable ri, but the mistake has been corrected perhaps three times.

See page 305 above, note 1.

by the phrase Chálukya-Vikrama-varsha, and the seventh year of it, the year Dundubhi, should correspond to Śaka-Samvat 1004 expired. But the date does not work out satisfactorily either for this year or for the years immediately preceding and following it; for the first tithi of the bright half of Kârttika ended, in Saka-Samvat 1003 expired on Wednesday, the 6th October, A.D. 1081, and in Saka-Samyat 1004 expired on Tuesday, the 25th October, A.D. 1082; and in Saka-Samvat 1005 expired it commenced 0 h. 9 m. before mean sunrise of Saturday, the 14th October, A.D. 1083, and ended 2 h. 29 m. before the end of the same day.

Of the localities mentioned, Takkalikâ, one of the group of the Vâyvada-Twelve, may perhaps be the village of 'Takulkee,' about twelve miles north-west of the city of Bijapur and fourteen miles south-west of Tidgundi. Pratyandaka, after which the Pratyandaka-Fourthousand district was named, and the city of Bhôgâvatî,2 from which Muñja took one of bis birudas, I am unable to identify.

TEXT.3

First Plate.

1	4Jayaty=âvishkri(shk	òr=vvârâham	kshôbhit- â r	ņņavam	[*] dakshin-ô-	
2	nnata-damshtr-âgra-v	viśrâmta-bhuvar	am vapu	rμ II	⁶ Vapur-da	lana-sambhramâ-
3	t=svanakha-ramdhra-	-nashtê ri	pau kva	n yâta	iti	vismayât=prahi-
4	ta-lôchanas=sarvvata	ḥ ⁶ [*] vr	i(vṛi)th=êti	kara-dhû	inanê n	ipatitam pu-
5	rô ⁷ rêṇuvan=nii	rîkshya ⁸ b	huvi I	Dânava ṁ	jayati	jâta-h âs ô
6	Hariḥ	⁹ Pâṁ	du-paṁkaja-sa	mlîna-madhr	p-âlî-sama	mi ga-
7	laṁ [*] yô	vi(bi)bhartti	vidhêyât=tê	nâ kapâl	î sa	mamgalam
8	Svasti [*]	Samastabhuv	anâśraya-	Śrî-Pri(pṛ	i)thvî-valla	bha- mahâ-
9	râjâdhirâja-)ra-	paramabhatt	Satyâ-		
10	0 śrayakulatilaka-		Châlukyâbharaṇa-			Tribhuvanama-
11	lladêvasya ¹⁰	śrî-]	Kalyâṇapurê	•	va(ba)hu-divasa-	

Second Plate; First Side.

12	sthira-nivâsini	pri(pṛi)thvî[m]	pâlayati	sati	śrî-Viku(kr	ı)makâla-
13	samvatsarêshu	shatsull atîtêshu	. saptamê	Dumdubh	i-samvatsarê	prava-
14	rttamânê tasys	. Kâ[r*]ttika-su(śv	ı)ddha-prati	pad-Âdivârê	r [*]	'atpâdapa-
15	dm-ôpajîvinô	Muṁja- mahîpatêr=a		C. 2	Pratyandaka-	•
16	haśra(sra)dês(ś)	âdhipatih Simda	a-vaṁsa(śa)-p	prabhavaḥ ¹²	raņāmgaņ	iêshv=aga-
17	nita-bhîr= Bhîmô	nâma	tad-a	grasutaḥ	prakh	yâta-kîrtti
18	ranâmgan-ârjjit-ôr	jita-jayaśrî-vallabhaḥ				Simdarâ-
19	jô nâma tat	-sutasya Mu[m]ja-:	mahîpatêḥ	prasa(śa)sti-	sta[m]bhaḥ	Il Sva-
20	sti [1*] Sama	dhigatapamchamahâśa	vda(bda)- 1	mahâmaṇḍalês	sva(śva)ram ¹³	Bhôgâ-
21	vatipura-paramês	va(śva)ra- Ph	aņî m dra- va:	msôdbhava-	Nâga-l	culatilaka-

¹ See Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 109 ff.

² Compare ibid. Vol. VIII. p. 6; Dr. Fleet's Kanarese Dynasties, p. 97; above, p. 231; and below, p. 316.

³ From impressions supplied by Dr. Fleet.

⁴ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh). 6 Originally =sarkvutah was engraved. 5 Metre: Prithvî.

⁷ Originally puras was engraved, but the superscript line which turns 6 into as has been struck out. Over the ra of the following word there is a sign of anusvara which has been struck out.

⁸ This akshara, kshya, looks rather like chchhya in the original.

⁹ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh).

¹⁰ In accordance with what follows, we should have expected here odévé, without vijaya-rajyé.

¹¹ Read shatsv=.

n Read bhavo. In the following word the sign of anusvara is engraved above ga, not above na.

¹³ Read °śvara-.

22	Simda-kulakamalamârttaṇḍa-			Guņuka	mamdalika-1		
23	jagathâpa-2	nâmâvalî-samalam	ıkri(kı	ri)ta- ³	mahâm	aņdalêśvara-	śr î-Mumja-
24	râjadêvasy=âśîrv	vachanam=idam	11	Pûrvvam ⁴	уó	va(ba)lirâja-	vaṁ(baṁ)dhana-
	vidhan dainva	ım ma-					

Second Plate: Second Side.

25	nô	mâ	grah	ıîn=n=âyar	'n.	Vâma:	na	y êsha 5	Mτ	ım ja- nri	patir=	bhûpâla-
	chṛi(e	chû)dân	naņiķ	[*]				-				
26	n=âpy=a	mgîkri	(kṛi)ta	⁷ -kôla	êsha ⁸	jag	gataḥ	pâtê	chira	mi śa	trubhi	h sô=
27	yam	râjita	râja-r	âji-vija y î	jîyâ	ân=ma	hî-vall	$\mathbf{a}\mathbf{b}\mathbf{h}\mathbf{a}\mathbf{h}$	11	Chitran	ı :	Mu[m*]-
28	ja- mahî			tava		svâmt	tê	su-taj	otê=niŝa:	mi	tad-	vâḥp-âṁ-
29	vu(bu)d	lhi-bhî-l	karê	vicharit	um	lôlâ	cha^9	kîrty-	amganâ	[*]	â	jñâtam
30	tvayi		vidy	atê	śik	hi-vis	ha-sta 1	nbh- â di-	vidyâ-va	(ba)lam		tê-
31	n=êyam						¹⁰ Him	na-sêtu-v	arti-ripu	-saṁghâ	t-âśn-s	amchâri-
32	ņî	têna	\mathbf{cha}	sva-man	ıdala-m	adhyê	8 II	Svasti	[[*]	śrî[h *	Sar	nadhiga-
33	tapamel	amahâś	šavda(bda)	mahâsâ	imami	$a\dot{m}$	vîrala	kshmîkê	imtam	par	rava(ba)-
34	lakri(kṛ	·i)tâṁta	,11				12	adatasân	amtagh	anapatal	avigh	atanapra-
3 5	bhamjaı	nam	v	airisâmam	tagajak	êsari ¹³	3	sâmari	atavê(bê)mtekâr	$a\dot{m}^{14}$	Ma-
36	garakîrt	tinavasá	$ m iram^{15}$		va(ba)	mțara	-bhâva	$\dot{\mathbf{m}}^{16}$	Rêva	ıņadêvâ	1=aṁ[ka*]kâra

Third Plate.

37	patihitâchâ[r*]yan=achalitadhairya	gôtrapavitram	sujanai-
38	kamitram dharmma-Dharmm[â*]tmaja	satya-Râdhêyam turaga-Rêvatam ¹⁷	vikrâ[m]-
39	takamthîravam śrîma[t*]-Tribh	nuvanamalladêva-pâdârâdhaka-	śrîma-
40	t-Kannasâmamtaḥ [*] tasy=âśîrvv	rachanam=idam 18Jîyâch=chl	hr î-Kanna-
41	sâma[m]tô Harapâd-ârchchana-priya	aḥ [*] Lâţî-kuchataṭa-spar	sî chi-

¹ Originally mamdalika was engraved, but the sign of i is struck out and that of the inserted i is faintly visible.

² This (and not jagatpápa) is the actual reading, the consonant of the third akshara being exactly like the th of crithéti in line 4. I do not understand the word, but believe that mandalika-jagathápa must be similar in sense to the ordinary mandalika-bhairava.—[Perhaps we may correct gaja-tápa, which would be synonymous with gaja-kúṭapákala (Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 365, text line 14 f.) and kari-kúṭapákala (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. pp. 121 and 343).—E. H.]

³ Originally samálamkrita was engraved.

[•] Metre: Sardûlavikrîdita; and of the next verse. The words in the first Pâda do not admit of a proper construction; what the author meant to say apparently is: yasya . • . . manô dainyam n=âgrahît.

⁵ Originally yeshu appears to have been engraved; read esha.

⁶ Originally nripatir= was engraved.

⁷ Originally okritta was engraved, but tta has been altered to ta, and perhaps kri also to kri.

⁸ Originally yesha was engraved.

⁹ This cha may have been altered to tra in the original (lôl=atra).

¹⁰ Originally himma was engraved.

Here a sign of anusvára, which had been engraved above ta, has been clearly effaced; the preceding krimay have been altered to kri.

¹² This, and not sabhata, is quite distinctly the reading of the original; adata is a Kanarese word, meaning 'a mighty, powerful, or heroic man.'

¹³ Originally "samamtain was engraved.

¹⁴ Bêntekâra also is a Kanarese word, meaning 'a hunter, a sportsman.'

¹⁵ This is what was originally engraved, but the impressions clearly show that the two vowel-signs and the superscript r of the word kirtti have been struck out. What is intended I believe to be Makarakétunavasára

¹⁶ Banta is a Kanarese tadbhara of the Sanskrit bhata.

¹⁷ Read - Rêvamtam.

¹⁸ Metre: Ślóka (Anushtubh).

4 2		asmai kraya-dâna-pûrvvakam¹=âtmîya-ma-°
43	nneya-[s]âmyam Vâyvaḍa-dvâdaśa-grâ	âmâ dattâh³ tan-madhyê Takkali-
44	k-âbhidhâna-grâmam varjayitvâ	Il Tat-pradhânapurusha-śrî-Khambha-
45	yya-nâyakaḥ ⁴ Madhukari-nâyakaḥ	
4 6	yakaḥ ⁶ Nimva(ba)ya-nâyaka êtês	shâm puratah samdhivigrahi-Nanna-
47	pai-pratihattêna ⁷ likhitvâ ⁸ s	śrî-Mumja-mahîpatinâ Kannasâmantâ-
48	ya 9 sva-hastêna dattam=idam	$t\hat{a}\dot{m}vra-s\hat{a}sana\dot{m}^{10}$ Sa $\hat{s}l[\hat{o}]kah$
	¹¹ Śva(sva)-dattâm para-dattâm	"
49	vâ yô harêt=tu vasumdharâm	[*] i2sha[sh]tir=vvarsha-sahasrâṇim(ṇi)
	vishţâyâm ¹³	
50	jâyatê krimih 🕲	

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Victorious is the boar-incarnation of Vishnu, 14 which agitated the ocean, (and) at which the Earth was reposing on the tip of his uplifted right tusk.

Victorions is Hari¹⁵ who—when the enemy, in terror of having his body torn, hid in a fissure of the god's nail—wondering where he might have gone, vainly cast his glances in all directions, and then broke into a smile when, on shaking his claws, he saw the demon fall before him on the ground, like a particle of dust.

May he,16 the wearer of skulls, who has a throat like a row of bees hovering on a white lotus, accomplish your happiness!

(L. 8.) Hail! In the reign of victory of the refuge of the universe, the favourite of Fortune and of the Earth, the Mahārājādhirāja Paramėšvara Paramabhattāraka, the frontal ornament of the family of Satyāśraya, the ornament of the Chālukyas, the glorious Tribhuvanamalladêva, (while he, 17) firmly residing for many days at the glorious city of Kalyāṇa, is ruling the earth; six years of the glorious Vikrama-time having elapsed, the seventh (year), the year Dundubhi, being current, on Sunday, the first of the bright half of Kārttika of this (year) 18:—

(L. 14.) Of king Munja, dependent on his lotus-feet, the lineage (is this): (There was) the governor of the Pratyandaka-Fourthousand country, born in the Sinda race, fearless on battle-fields, named Bhima. His first-born, of renowned fame, a favourite of the mighty fortune of victory gained on battle-fields, was Sindarâja. Of his son, king Munja, the column of praise (records):—

Hail! The Mahâmanḍalêśvara, the glorious Muñjarâjadêva, adorned with the titles 'he who has attained the five mahâśabdas, the Mahâmanḍalêśvara, the supreme lord of the city

⁵ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

⁹ This sign of punctuation is superfluous.

7 Read hastêna.

n Read shashtim vao.

¹ Originally -purvokamm= was engraved; read -purvakam s-atmiya- (?).

² Manneya is a Kanarese word, meaning 'a respectable man, a chieftain, a commander,' and samya is a tadbhava of the Sanskrit svamya.

Read dattas=ta°. Read -ndyakô.

⁶ Originally Bhammaiya. was engraved read .ndyako.

⁸ One would have expected likhitam.

¹⁰ Read tamra-sasanam. 11 Metre: Śloka (Anushtubh).

¹³ Originally vishtdydh was engraved; read vishthdydm.

¹⁴ Literally, 'the boar-body of Vishnu, manifested.'

¹⁵ i.e. Vishnu as man-lion, fighting with Hiranyakaśi pu.

¹⁶ i.e. Siva, whose 'throat is dark-blue from the stain of the deadly poison which would have destroyed the world, had it not been swallowed by him on its production at the churning of the ocean by the gods for the nectar of immortality.'

⁷ Compare page 308 above, note 10.

¹⁸ The principal idea which the author has in his mind and which runs through what follows, is, that 'on this day king Munja sold to Kannasamanta certain villages.'

¹⁹ i.e. Tribbuvanamalladêva's.

of Bhôgâvatî, born in the serpent-chief's race, the frontal ornament of the Nâga family, the sun of the lotus—the Sinda family, the submarine fire of the Gunukas(?), the fever to the elephants—the rulers of districts;'—the blessing pronounced on him is this:—

"In former days, it was not Vâmana whose heart, when he was engaged in subduing king Bali,¹ faintness did not seize, it was this king Muñja, the crest-jewel of princes; nor did this king assume a boar's body, when the world had long been cast down by adversaries. Victory to him, the favourite of the Earth, the conqueror of rows of resplendent rulers!

"Marvellous it is that your Fame, king Munja, is so eager to visit incessantly the burning hearts of your enemies which frighten (even) the ocean² of their tears! Ah, I know, you possess the magic power of stopping fire, poison and the rest, and therefore she lightly wanders among the crowds of the enemies between the Himâlaya and (Râma's) bridge."

And he in the midst of his territory-3

(L. 32.) Hail! Fortune! The illustrious Kannasamanta, who worships the feet of the glorious Tribhuvanamalladêva, who has attained the five mahâŝabdas, the great chieftain, the beloved of the fortune of heroes, the god of death to hostile forces, the hurricane to scatter the mass of clouds—mighty chieftains, the lion to the elephants—hostile chieftains, the hunter of chieftains, the fresh essence of the god of love, the passion of warriors, the champion of Rêvaṇadêva, the instructor in what is beneficial to his master, of unshaken firmness, the purifier of his family, the unique friend of good men, Dharma's son's in righteousness, Râdhâ's son's in truthfulness, a Rêvanta's in (the management of) horses, a lion in prowess;—the blessing pronounced on him is this:—

"Victory to the illustrious Kannasamanta, who loves to adore Hara's feet, who touches the breasts of the women of Lata, who has long annihilated the adversaries!"

(L. 42.)—to him,⁷ after purchase, he has given, together with his own rights as chieftain (?), the Vâyvaḍa-Twelve villages, excepting from among them the village of Ṭakkalikā. In the presence of his chief officer, the Nâyaka, the illustrious Khambhayya; the Nâyaka Madhukari, the Samdhivigrahin; the Nâyaka Bhammaiya; (and) the Nâyaka Nimbaya, has this copper-edict, written by Nannapai, the deputy of the Samdhivigrahin, been given by the glorious king Muñja with his own hand to Kannasamanta. The verse here (appropriate is):—

"Whosoever should take away land given by himself or given by others, he is born a worm in ordure for sixty-thousand years."

No. 44.—INDIA OFFICE PLATE OF VIJAYARAJADEVA.

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I edit this inscription from the accompanying photo-lithograph, which has been prepared under Dr. Fleet's supervision. The original plate is at the India Office; there is no information as to where or by whom it was found.

¹ The original may also be translated 'in subduing powerful kings.'

² i.e. as the submarine fire frightens the real ocean.

³ This sentence is continued below, in the translation of 1. 42 ff.

⁴ i.e. Yudhishthira. 5 i.e. Karas. 6 This is the name of a son of Sûrys.

⁷ Here the sentence commencing above with the words 'and he in the midst of his territory' is continued.

This is a single plate which measures about 10'' broad by $5\frac{1}{3}''$ high, and is engraved on one side only. It contains ten lines of writing written across the breadth of it, and another line, which merely contains the name of the donor, on the proper right margin. The writing is in a perfect state of preservation. The size of the letters in the body of the inscription is between $\frac{1}{5}$ and $\frac{3}{8}$, and of those on the right margin, about $\frac{9}{16}$. The characters are Någarî, as written in Orissa or neighbouring parts of Eastern India probably in the 11th or 12th century A.D. The language is very incorrect Sanskrit prose, greatly influenced by the Prâkrit or vernacular of the author. In some places the case terminations are altogether omitted; in others we have wrong cases, false genders, and inappropriate or incorrect verbal derivatives. The influence of the Prâkrit is shown by the substitution of single for conjunct consonants (as in Vigahapâla for Vigrahapâla, ll. 2 and 7, sadáthityá for sadásthityá, 11. 4 and 5, and sahasta for svahasta, 1. 5), the use of the lingual for the dental nasal (as in na for na, l. 3, and kuttumvikánám for okánám, l. 7), the substitution of s for s and sh (as in sesam for śesham, 1.8), and the omission of medial y and final consonants (as in -vidhêanam for -vidhêyanam, 1. 9, and kasyachi for ochit, ll. 5 and 7). That the author's vernacular was closely related to, or was a kind of, Mâgadhî Prâkrit, appears to be particularly proved by the occurrence of the word ostá for avasthá in line 5; by the use of the conjuncts sp, sm and sy instead of shp, shm and shy in chatuspada, l. 6, tusmá (for yushmat-), l. 4, and nirvvahisyati, l. 9; and (if my interpretation of the text be right) by the Nom. sing. masc. ye in line 3.2 In respect of orthography it may be noted that t is everywhere doubled before r (as in -puttra, 1. 2); that b is written by a sign of its own in kuṭṭumbikâ, l. 3, and bal-âdhikritêna, l. 4, but by the sign for v in kuttumvikanam, l. 6; and that the writer throughout has written tt instead of the single t (as in -kaṭṭaké, l. 1). The style and phraseology of the inscription are very peculiar, and I know of no other inscription which is similar to it in this respect. A territorial term which I have not met with elsewhere, is paribhôga in line 3, used apparently in the sense of bhukti or bhôga, 'a district.'

The inscription, described in line 2 as a prasâda-paṭṭaka or 'document of favour,' is one of a Pāramabhaṭṭāraka Mahārājādhirāja Paramēśvara Vijayarājadēva, and records a grant of land and other property in the Kēsarikōṭṭa paribhôga and the grant of a village named Pôtā, in favour of some people of the Palha clan or caste. There is nothing to show to what dynasty Vijayarājadēva belonged, or to determine the time when he lived; and all that can be said, is that, judging by the writing, the inscription must be referred to Orissa or some part of India adjoining it, and to about the 11th or 12th century A.D.; and that, if the word kaṭṭaka (for kaṭaka) in line 1 should have to be taken as a proper name, which probably is really the case, Vijayarājadēva, when these grants were made, resided at Cuttack, now the capital city of the province of Orissa. One point in the inscription which I am unable to explain satisfactorily, is the mention, in line 6, of two Mahārājāts, Lachchhidēvi and Hamsinidēvi. The only suggestion which I can offer, is that Vijayarājadēva was a minor when the first grant was made, and that the government was then carried on in his name by these ladies.

The district of Kêsarikôtta and the village of Pôtâ I am unable to identify.

² [Compare pracada, 'a favour, gift,' in line 6 of the Cochin plates (page 68 above), and patta-mayah pracadah in the Udayêndiram plates of Hastimalla (Ind. Ant. Vol. XXIII. p. 296, note 2).—E. H.]

¹ Perhaps I should also mention here that we find five times, at the end of a word, d instead of am or am; in line 4 -taraka, mirvvahamana, and pradatta, and in line 5 paripamthaniya and bhoktavya.

² Compare Hêmachandra's Prákrit Grammar, iv. 291, 289 and 287.

⁴ Compare the same vijaya-kataku in line 1 of the Sambalpur plates of Mahabhavagupta, Journ. As. Soc. Bengal, Vol. XLVI. Part I. p. 175; and in line 1 of the Chaudvâr plates of the same, Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 55, and Proceedings, As. Soc. Bengal, 1882, p. 11.—A king Vijaya Kêsari, supposed to have ruled A.D. 875-890, is mentioned in the list of the kings of Orissa, quoted in Mr. Sewell's Lists of Antiquities, Vol. II. p. 206.

TEXT.1

- 1 Ôm² svasti [||*] Śrî-vijaya-kaṭṭa(ṭa)kê³ samâvâsita-paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêsva(śva)ra-śrî-Vijayarâjadêvaḥ |4 kuśalî
- 2 śrî-Vigahapâla⁶ Dusala-puttra tathâ Mihirâva Kusuarâ-puttra Palha-jâti prasâdapaṭṭakaṁ prayachchhaty=anayâ bhâshayâ yathâ śrî-Kêsa-
- 3 rikôṭṭa-paribhôgê kshêttrâ-bhûmî⁶ tathâ kûpâ tathâ gṛihâ tathâ kuṭṭu(ṭu)ṁbikâ yê⁷ cha ṇa kam=api divasaṁ Mûladêva-bhuktaṁ sa cha samastaṁ mayâ śrî-bha-
- 4 ttårakêṇa⁸ â-chamdr-ârka-târakâ yâva-kṛitya⁹ tusmâ-puttra-pautra-prapauttr-âdi¹⁰ nirvvahamânâ¹¹ sadâthityâ¹² prasâdîkṛitya pradattâ¹³ [|*] kên=âpi bal-âdhi-
- 5 kritêna na paripamthanîyâl 4 [$|^*$] gôttraja 15 kasyachi 16 anyasmâpi kâmakârô n=âsti [$|^*$] 17 sahasta-parahastêna bhôktavyâ [$|^*$] sadâthityâ attrâam o-
- 6 stâ [|*] mahârâjîî śrî-**La[ch*]chhidê**vî tathâ mahârâjîî¹⁸ śrî-**Ha**msinîdêvî [||*]
 Tathâ **P**ôtâ-grâmam¹⁹ dvipada-chatuspa(shpa)da-kshêttrânâm²⁰ kuttumvikâ-
- 7 ņâm²¹ sahitam samastam śrî-Vigahapâla-puttra-pauttrâṇâm²² bhatta(ṭṭa)-grâmam mayâ śrî-bhaṭṭârakêṇa prasâdîkṛitam [[*] anya-Palha²³ kasyachi²⁴ kâma-

² Expressed by a symbol.

- * Kaṭaka may be either 'a royal residence' (rájadhánt) in general or the proper name of a town. If the latter should be the case here, we ought to write -Kaṭakê. For instances where vijaya is prefixed to the names of towns see Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 270.
 - 4 This sign of punctuation is superfluous.
 - 5 Here and in the following nouns up to jati the terminations of the Dative case are omitted.
- I take the word intended to be kshétra-bhûmis=; the following kûpû and grihû are probably meant for kûpûs= and grihûni.
- 7 Read yach=cha na and afterwards, for sa cha, tach=cha; ys is the (Magadhi) Nom. sing. masc., used instead of the neuter; na is the Prakrit form of na.
 - 8 Read °kėn=a-.
- 9 Apparently for yavat-kritya, yavat-kritva; and the whole phrase for the ordinary a-chandr-arka-tarakam yanat.
- 10 This compound is used in the sense of the Instrumental case (-adibhih). The first word of it, tusma, I take to be equivalent to yushmat.
- The form, the sense of which the writer wished to express, seems to be nirvahyam, and the meaning I take to be that of paribhógyam, 'to be enjoyed or possessed.' Below, line 9, the root vah with the preposition nir is employed in the sense of 'to carry out, to accomplish.'
 - 2 Apparently for sadd-sthityd, 'in permanence or perpetuity;' the word occurs again in the next line.
 - 18 Read pradattam. 14 Read onlyam.
- 15 i.e. gótrajasya kasyachid=anyasy=ápi; I understand the meaning to be: 'Nobody (i.e. no ruler) either of my own family or any other (ruler) must follow his inclination' (to take away this property).
 - 18 The two aksharas kasya were originally omitted and are engraved below the line.
- 17 Originally sahasté was engraved, but the sign of é appears to have been struck out; sahasta is of course sva-hasta. I am not sure about the exact meaning of this passage, but would suggest: svahasta-parahasténa bhôktavyam sadásthity=åtr=åyam=avasthá; '(the property granted) may be enjoyed by (the donees') own hands (i.e. by them personally) and (with their consent) by the hands of others; this is the settlement (made) here in perpetuity.' The first part of this clause would thus be equivalent to the bhôktavyam bhôjayitavyam of other inscriptions. As regards the wording of the second part, ostá I take to be the Magadhi equivalent of avasthá; and attrâam probably is a mistake for attrêam, which would stand for attrêyam, as vidhéa does for vidhéya in line 9, below.
 - 18 Originally maharajnt was engraved.
 - 19 Read -gramo, and further on, agreeing with it, sahitah, samastah, -gramo, and *kritah.
 - 20 This word and the next should have been put in the Instrumental case.
 - 31 Read kutumbikanam, for kaih.
 - 29 This should have been in the Dative case.
 - What the writer wished to say, is probably anyasya Palhajátlyasya.
 - 24 Read kasyachit=.

¹ From Dr. Fleet's accompanying photo-lithograph.

8 kârô n=âsti [[*] Kusuarâ-puttraıh Pôtâ-grâmam varjaītvā1 sêsam yathâlikhitam bhôktavyam [|*] sâdhu-su(śu)bh-âchârânâm³ âjñâ-śravanavidhêânâm³ upari-likhitam sarvvam nirvvahisyati⁴ [[Râj-âdêśât5 śri-Durgapalavachanêna likhitam mayâ Mûladêva6 Mamguka-su-10 ta hêmakârêna || 11

Śrî-Vijayarajadevah⁷ [||*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Om. Hail!

Dwelling at his glorious royal residence of victory,8 the Paramabhattaraka Maharajadhiraja Paramésvara, the glorious Vijayarajadêva, being in good health, grants to the illustrious Vigahapâla, son of Dusala, and to Mihirâva, son of Kusuarâ, of the Palha clan, a document of favour, to this effect that-

I, the glorious Bhattaraka, have graciously granted (to you) in perpetuity, in the Kêsarikotta district (paribhôqa), cultivated land and wells and houses and house-slaves and whatever has not any day been enjoyed by Mûladêva,9 to be possessed by you, your sons, grandsons, great-grandsons and so forth, as long as the moon, the sun and the stars endure: (and) not to be interfered with by any commander of forces.¹⁰ The (rulers) of (mu) family or other (rulers) have no claim (to this). It may be enjoyed by (your) own hands and (with your consent) by the hands of others. This is the settlement (made) here in perpetuity. The Mahârâjñî, the glorious Lachchhidêvî, and the Mahârâjñî, the glorious Hamsinîdêvi.

(L. 6.) I, the glorious Bhattaraka, have also graciously given the whole village of Pôts. with its bipeds, quadrupeds, fields (and) house-slaves, to the sons and grandsons of the illustrious Vigahapâla, as a bhatta-village. No other Palha has any claim (to it). Excepting the village of Pota, the sons of Kusuara are to enjoy everything as written (above). (Mu) well and virtuously behaved (subjects), ready to obey my commands, will carry out everything written above.

At the king's command, by the instruction of the illustrious. Durgapâla written by me, the goldsmith Mûladêva, son of Manguka.

The glorious Vijayarajadêva.

No. 45.- NAGPUR MUSEUM INSCRIPTION OF SOMESVARA: SAKA-SAMVAT 1130.

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The slab which bears the subjoined inscription, is preserved in the Museum at Nagpur. I edit this record from three sets of excellent inked estampages, one of which was supplied to

¹ Read varjayitvá šésham.

² Read oranam=; instead of the Genitive one would have expected the Instrumental case here and in the next word.

³ Read -ridheyanam=, for -vidheyair=.

^{*} For nirvakshyatê.

⁵ Read -adésach=chhri.

⁶ Intended for °dêvêna Mainguka-sutêna.

⁷ This is engraved in large letters on the proper right margin.

⁸ Or, it may be, 'dwelling at the glorious (town) of victory Kataka'; see page 313 above, note 3.

⁹ I am somewhat doubtful about this, but see no way of translating the original text differently. It is strange that the name of the village, to which the land belonged, should have been omitted.

¹⁰ The original has baladhikrita.

SCALE .90

त्रको हपारिज्यान्त्रज्ञक्रमाञ्चाक्रपाञ्चाज्यसञ्चाजस्यकायोञ्जलकमापरिक्रम्जलदेवङ्ग्यम्भन्यन्त्रज्ञ किए अन्द्राक्रीन्त्रान्त्रान्त्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र्यात्र् 0

Dr. Hultzsch by Mr. Cousens, and two by Dr. Fleet, for whom they had been prepared by Shaikh Karîm. Each set of impressions consists of five pieces. The context suggested to me that the first and second pieces should form the front, and the third and fourth pieces the back, of a slab which is broken in the middle, and that the fifth piece is probably engraved on one of the sides of the same slab. To settle this point, Dr. Hultzsch forwarded one set of the impressions to Mr. R. S. Joshi, Curator of the Central Museum, Någpur, who readily supplied the following information. The first and second, third and fourth pieces are actually engraved on the front and back, respectively, of a slab which is broken across the middle. The fifth piece is on the right-hand side of the upper half of the slab, and the lower half contains four lines in continuation, of which Mr. Joshi kindly sent a pencil-rubbing and an impression. He added that "the stone was brought to the Museum in the year 1861 from Sironcha, about 160 miles from Någpur, by Colonel Glasfurd, the then Deputy Commissioner of the then Upper Godavari district, who found the same serving the purpose of a tombstone and mounted at the head of an innumerable number of curious sarcophagi at the base of a range of hills in the insignificant village of Kowtah, some 6 miles from Sironcha tahsîl." Sironcha is situated on the left bank of the Gôdâvarî, in about 19° latitude and 80° longitude. The slab itself is noticed as "said to have come from Sironcha" in Sir A. Cunningham's Reports. Vol. VII. p. 115.

At the top of the front of the slab are drawn some rude figures: a dagger between a tiger facing it from the left and a *linga* on the right. Below the tiger is the sun, and below the *linga* a crescent, with a doubtful figure (a bowl?) between the two.

The alphabet of the inscription is Telugu, and its language Telugu prose. The characters on the front and back of the slab are much larger than those on its right side. A few letters at the beginning of lines 38 to 40 and at the end of line 56 are lost altogether; a number of other letters are indistinct and doubtful, especially on the right side of the slab and about the end of the inscription on the back. I am unable to give a complete transcript and translation of the damaged portions of the inscription. Of orthographical peculiarities I need only note that the vowel ri is represented by ri in prakatikrita (1. 6 f.) and Sakanripa (1. 26).

Lines 18 to 35 of the inscription record that Gangamahadôvî, the chief queen of Sômêśvaradôva, gave a village, named Kêramaruka (l. 35) or Kêramarka (l. 55), to two temples of Śiva, both of which she had built. The first was called Vîra-Sômêśvara after her husband, and the other Gangadharêśvara after herself. The date of the consecration of the two temples and of the grant of the village was Sunday, the twelfth tithi of the bright fortnight of Phâlguna in the Śaka year 1130. The next few lines (35 to 42) appear to contain the king's sanction of the grant. Lines 42 to 55 specify the names of a number of royal officers who were witnesses of the transaction. Lines 57 to 79 I have not been able to make out satisfactorily. They appear to record that both Gangamahadôvî and Sômêśvaradêva performed libations of water; but it is not clear if they did this in connection with the same grant that was referred to before, or with some additional donations.

I have no means for identifying the village of Kêramaruka which was the object of the grant. The date of the grant has been kindly calculated by Mr. Dikshit, who remarks on it as follows:—"In Śaka-Sańvat 1129 expired, Phâlguna śukla 12 ended on Saturday, the 1st March, A.D. 1208, at 13 gh. 59 palas. This tithi can in no way be connected with the following Sunday, and therefore this is not the given date. In Śaka-Sańvat 1130 expired, Phâlguna śukla 12 ended on Wednesday, the 18th February, A.D. 1209. This also is not the given date. In Śaka-Sańvat 1131 expired, Phâlguna śukla 12 ended on Sunday at 18 gh. 43 palas. The European equivalent is the 7th February, A.D. 1210."

The first sixteen lines of the inscription are made up of a string of birudas of the king, whose full name was Jagadekabhushana-Maharaja, alias Sômésvaradeva-Chakravartin.

He claims to be a descendant of the race of the Naga with thousand hoods, i.e. of the serpent Śesha, to be the lord of the city of Bhôgâvatî, to have for his crest a tiger with a calf, to belong to the Kâśyapa gôtra, and to be a worshipper of the god Mahêśvara and of the goddess Mânikyadêvî. In his Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts (p. 95 ff.) and in this Journal (p. 230 ff.), Dr. Fleet has given details of two branches of the Sinda family, which were established at Bâgadage and at Erambarage, and which were tributary to the Western Châlukya and Kalachurf dynasties.1 In the Bhairanmatti inscription (No. 33 above), the members of the Bagadage branch of the Sinda family are stated to be descendants of the race of serpents (Nagavamsa), to use the crest of a tiger, and to be the lords of the city of Bhôgâvatî. As three similar birudas are applied to Sômêśvara, during whose reign the subjoined inscription is dated, it is clear that he must have been connected with the Sinda family. But as the inscription does not mention any of his ancestors, it is vain to conjecture whether he was a direct descendant of the Bagadage branch, or of Vikrama, the last representative of the Erambarage branch who is noticed by Dr. Fleet, and whose latest inscription is dated in the Saka year 1102, twenty-eight years before the subjoined inscription.

TEXT.2

A .- Front of Slah.

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1	त्रों ³ खस्ति [॥*] स रस फणा-	14	[णि]कादेवोदिव्यश्री-
2	मणिकिरणनिकराव-	15	पादपद्माराधक प-
3	भासुरनागवंशीद्ग-	16	रवलसाधक श्रीम-
4	व भीगावतीपुरवराधी-	17	ज्जगदेकभूषणम-
5	प्रवर सवत्सव्याघ्रलां -	18	
6	च्छन काम्थपगोत्र प्रक-	19	मेखरदेवचक्रवर्त्तुन-
7	'टीक्रितविजयघोष-	2 0	क्यमहिषियैन गं-
8	ण विश्वविश्वंभरापर-	21	गमहादेवुलु तम
9	मृष्वर परमभद्वारक	22	पुरुषुनि पेर वीर-
10	महामहेखरचरण-	23	सोमेखरमुं दम
11	कंजिकंज[ॡक]पुंजिपं-⁵	24	पेर गंगाधरेखरमुं
12	जरितभ्बमरायमा-	25	व्रतिष्ठ सेसेडि नां-
13	न ⁶ [मा]नी[ञ्च]त [श्रीमा]-	26	टिकि [°] शकािब्यकाला-
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27	′ तीतसंवत्सरसु-			;	29	टि	फाला	णग्रु[क्र]- ¹⁰
28	ল্ত	११३०	ऋगु नें - ⁹				•	ज्यादित्यवा <i>-</i>

¹ Compare also the Tidgundi plates, published by Professor Kielhorn, above, p. 306 ff.

² From inked estampages, received from Mr. Cousens, Dr. Fleet, and Mr. Joshi.

Expressed by a symbol. 4 Read प्रकटीकत.

⁵ The anusvára stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁷ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁹ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁶ Read °रायमाण.

⁸ Read श्कन्प.

¹⁰ Read फाल्यनश्रक.

31	रस	नांड	र्दू
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- 32 रेंडु शिवालयमु-
- 33 ल[कुं] बुजासमु-
- 34 गानिचिन ऊरु के-
- 35 [रम़]⇔कानु [।*] मा सुं-
- 36 कसुली बीतुम-
- 37 [ल]व रेंडु वीसालुनु
- $38 \cdot [1]$ सेमु मिडनि पा-
- 39 ⋅ [भो]गमुवारिकि जः
- 40 . . गामानु धार[ा*]-
- 41 [पू*][व्वीकसुगानिचि-
- 42 [नांस] [॥*] ईयर्खान-
- 43 कु मा [प्र]धा[नि] मं-

- 44 डलीक[सो]मराजुनु
- 45 श्रीकरणमु दामोद-
- 46 रनायकुलून में-2
- 47 टमनायकुंडु-
- 48 नु घांचनपेगडानु³
- 49 [प]डिहारि' सोमिना-
- 50 यक्ंड्नु गुद्दा-
- 51 [पु] ए&परडिड[नि]⁶
- 52 विलुचूडुप्रबु-⁶
- 53 वु पा⇔कोट की-
- 54 [मानायक्ंड्जु]
- 55 साचि [॥*] केर[म∰₄] सं-7
- 56 क[मु] देवर \cdot

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- 57 श्रीगंग-
- 58 मह[ा]-
- 59 [दे]वि सी-
- 60 मना-
- 61 [घ]सी-
- 62 मय[ा]-
- 63 दुल[कु]⁸
- 64 কু[ভ]-
- 65 (क्रांडु
- 66 धार
- 67 वि]से [॥*]
- 68 सो[म]-

- 69 **प्रवर**-
- 70 देव-
- 71 डु॰ [पो]
- 72 [रि]पे
- 73 कि कु-
- 74 के⇔ [धा*]-
- 75 र वी-
- 76 [से]
- 77 हु [ब्रा]-
- 78 ह्मण-
- 79 ब्रिति¹⁰ [॥*]

¹ The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

² The anusvara stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁸ Read पेग्गडानु.

⁴ i.e. प्रतिहार.

⁵ Read रेडिडिन्न.

⁶ Read प्रभुव.

^{7.} The anusodra stands at the beginning of the next line.

⁸ Read ⁰नुखक्र.

⁹ Rend देवुड.

¹⁰ Read sfft.

TRANSLATION.

Ôm. Hail!

(Line 42.) To this transaction, our minister Maṇḍalîka-Sômarâja, the secretaries Dâmôdara-Nâyaka, Meṇṭama-Nâyaka and Chânchana-Peggaḍa, the door-keepers Sômi-Nâyaka, Guddâpu-Egapa-Reḍḍi, Viluchûḍla-Prabhu and Pâṇakôṭa-Komma-Nâyaka (were) eye-witnesses.

- (L. 55.) The revenue of Kêramarka
- (L. 57.) The glorious Gangamahâdêvî performed a libation of water (into the hands) of Sômanâtha-Sômayâjin
- (L. 68.) Sômêśvaradêva performed a libation of water for the support of Brâhmaṇas.

No. 46.— GANESGAD PLATES OF DHRUVASENA I.;

[GUPTA-]SAMVAT 207.

By E. HULTZSCH, PH.D.

The copper plates which bear the subjoined inscription, were found in a field at Ganêsgad in the Dâmnagar tâlukâ of the Baroda State. In March 1894, Major W. B. Ferris, then Assistant Agent to the Governor-General, Baroda, sent them to Dr. Fleet, who very kindly placed them at my disposal for publication. They have now been returned to Baroda.

The plates are two in number and measure about 11 by 7\frac{3}{6} inches. The edges of their inner, inscribed sides are raised into rims to protect the writing. When the plates reached me, they were covered with a thick layer of rust. Having been immersed for a few weeks in several changes of toddy and tamarind, and occasionally brushed with diluted nitric acid (1:20), they became quite legible, and are now in a fair state of preservation. The engraving is so deep that many letters show through distinctly at the back of the plates. Through two holes at the bottom of the first plate and two others at the top of the second plate are passed two pieces of copper wire, which is about \(\frac{1}{3} \) inch thick. The wire on the right is bent into a ring, but not soldered. The second wire is also twisted into a ring, which had not yet been cut when the plates reached me; and the two ends of the wire are secured in a knob projecting from

¹ This pronoun apparently refers to the king.

the lower end of a well-preserved oval seal, which measures about $2\frac{1}{4}$ by $1\frac{7}{8}$ inch. The back of the seal is of convex shape. On the front of the seal, a plain oval border, measuring $1\frac{3}{4}$ by $1\frac{3}{8}$ inch, is divided by a pair of horizontal lines into two compartments, of which the upper one contains, in bas-relief, a recumbent bull which faces the proper right, and the lower one, in raised letters, the usual legend where: The weight of the two plates is 3 lbs. $7\frac{1}{2}$ oz. and that of the two rings and the seal $7\frac{1}{4}$ oz.; total, 3 lbs. 15 oz.

The date at the end of the inscription furnishes instances of the numerical symbols for 5, 7, 10 and 200, and the symbol for 300 occurs in line 14. The language is tolerably correct Sanskrit. The proper name Bhaṭakka (for Bhaṭārka) in line 3 and on the seal, 1 and the adjective jamala (for yamala) in line 14 are two instances in which the writer of the inscription relapsed from Sanskrit into his Prâkrit vernacular.

The plates record an order, issued from (his capital) Valabhî (line 1) by Dhruvasêna [I.] (l. 10) and conferring on a Brâhmana eight measures (khanda) of land and two cisterns in the village of Hariyânaka, which belonged to Akshasarakaprâpa, a subdivision of Hastavaprâharanî (l. 12). I am unable to identify the village of Hariyânaka and the subdivision in which it was included. The district of Hastavaprâharanî, Hastakavaprâharanî, or Hastavaprâhâra is mentioned in three other Valabhî grants. Hastavapra or Hastakavapra, to which it owes its name, has been identified with Hâthab, six miles south of Gôghâ in the Bhâvnagar State, and with the 'Astakapra' of Ptolemy and of the Periplûs.

The Dûtaka of the grant was the door-keeper Mammaka, and the writer of the edict was Kikkaka (l. 28). The latter also wrote the three other published grants of Dhruvasêna I.⁴ and the former acted as Dûtaka of one of these three grants.⁵ The date of the subjoined grant was the 15th tithi of the dark fortnight of Vaisâkha of the (Gupta) year 207 (l. 29 f.), i.e. A.D. 526-27. Another grant of Dhruvasêna I., published by Professor Bühler,⁶ is dated in the same year, which forms the earliest date of the Valabhî dynasty that has been hitherto found in inscriptions.

From my translation of the genealogical portion of this inscription it will be seen that I have added a fresh rendering of the passage which mentions the Maitrakas, to the earlier translations of it. In line 1, the original clearly and unmistakably reads Maitrakanam=atulabala-sapatna. This is also the reading of the published facsimiles of the remaining early Valabhi grants, the editors of which have read sapanna because they had in their minds the reading sampanna, which actually occurs in the later Valabhi grants. As all the earlier grants read sapatna, we must, in the absence of cogent reasons to the contrary, assume that this was also the reading of the original draft of the Valabhi vamsavali, and that sampanna, the reading of the later grants, is a mere clerical error. I am obliged to dwell on this detail because the reading sapatna finally disposes of the possibility of construing the word Maitrakanam with the next following compound, and forces us to connect the word with the verb abhavat, which is omitted, but must be supplied to complete the sentence. Whether we

¹ The same spelling occurs in another grant of Dhruvasêna I. (Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 205) and on the seals of other Valabhî plates.

² Ind. Ant. Vol. I. p. 45; Vol. V. p. 204; and Vol. VI. p. 10.

³ ibid. Vol. V. p. 314; Vol. VII. p. 53 f.; Vol. VIII. p. 141; Vol. XIII. p. 358; Colonel Watson's Statistical Account of Bhâvnagar, p. 106.

⁴ Ind. Ant. Vol. IV. p. 105; Vol. V. p. 206; and Vienna Oriental Journal, Vol. VII. p. 300.

⁵ Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 206.

⁶ ibid. p. 204 ff.

⁷ See Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 167, note 11; and Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 89, note 23.

See the reproductions of the plates of Dhruvasêna I. (Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 205) and of Dharasêna II. (ibid. Vol. VII. pp. 68 and 72; Vol. VIII. p. 302; and Gupta Inscriptions, Plate xxiv.). In the facsimile of a grant of Gubasêna (Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 66) the first akshara of sapatna is doubtful.

paraphrase the passage by Maitrakânâm (i.e. Maitrakêshu) Bhaţârkô Şbhavat, or supply the word vaméê after Maitrakânâm,¹ it is now evident that Bhaṭârka, the ancestor of the Valabhî kings, himself belonged to the family or tribe of the Maitrakas.²

TEXT.3

First Plate.

- 1 श्रीं स्वस्ति [॥*] वलभीतः प्रसभप्रणत[ा*]मित्राणा⁵ मैत्रकाणामतुलबलसपतमण्डलाभीगसंसक्त-
- 2 संप्रहारशतलस्थप्रताप: प्रतापोपनतदानमानार्ज्जवीपाज्जितानुरक्तमीलस्तिमत्रश्रेणी-
- 3 बलावाप्तराज्यित्रः परममाहिष्वरः श्रीसेनापतिभटकस्तस्य सतस्तत्पावरजीरुणावनत-
- 4 पवित्रीक्षतिश्वराः शिरीवनतश्रतुत्रुडामणिप्रभाविच्छुरितपादनखपिक्तदीिधितिः² दीनानाथजनी-
- 5 पजीव्यमानविभवः परमभाहेष्वरस्रोनापतिधरसेनस्तस्यानुजस्तत्यादाभिप्रयस्त-विमलमौत्ति-
- 6 मणिर्मान्वादिप्रणीतविधिविधानधर्मा धर्माराज द्रव विच्लितविनयव्यवस्थापडितरिखलभुवनमण्डला-
- 7 भोगस्त्रामिना परमस्त्रामिना स्वयमुपश्चितराच्याभिषेकमञ्चा विश्वाणनावपूतराजश्ची: परम-
- 8 माहेप्बरी म(ा) हाराजद्रीयसिंह: सिह¹⁰ इव तस्यानुजस्त्वभुजवलेन परगजघटानीकालाभिक-
- 9 विजयी शरणैषिणां शरणमववीडा शास्त्रार्श्वतत्वानां कत्यतरुरिव सुद्धत्प्रणियनां यथाभिलिषितः
- 10 फलोपभीगदः परमभागवतः परमभद्दारकपादानुद्धातो महासामन्तमहाराजधुवसैन[:*]
- 11 कुप्रली सर्व्वानिवायुक्तकविनियुक्तकद्रांगिकमञ्चतरभ्रुवस्थानाधिकरणिकदाग्डपाणि-कचाटभटादी-
- 12 ¹¹त्समाज्ञापयत्यस्तु वस्तंविदितं यथा इस्तवप्राहरण्यां ¹² अञ्चसरकप्रापीयहरियानकप्रामे

¹ This was Dr. Fleet's original suggestion; see Ind. Ant. Vol. VIII. p. 303.

² Regarding the tribe of the Maitrakas, Mihiras, or Môharas, see Dr. Fleet's interesting note, Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 361 f.

^{*} From the original copper-plates.

⁵ Read °िसवायां.

⁷ Read श्री:

⁹ Read [○]पंतिशीधितिहींना[○].

¹¹ Read orunto.

⁴ Expressed by a symbol.

⁸ Read पार्जितानुरासीनुरक्ष.

^{*} Read भटार्जसस्य.

¹⁰ Read सिंह.

¹³ Read °इरखामच².



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- 14 यत्र पादावर्त्तभातत्रयं पा ३०० मस्मिनेव मामे 'मपरोत्तरसीसि जमलवापि' चर्ला किंगित-
- 15 पादावर्र्भपरिसरा द्वितीया वापि विश्वत्यादावर्र्भपरिसरा एवमेकच सर्व्व[सु]

Second Plate.

- 16 पादाव संग्रत चयं [ष] ध्यधिकं चचैव वास्तव्य बाह्म वाधिकाय दर्भस-
- 17 गोचाय 10 वाजिसनयसब्रह्म[चारि *]णे मातापित्रोः पुख्याप्यायना[या *]त्मनस्त्रै[ह्नि *]कासुद्मिक(1)यथाभिल्कित-
- 18 ¹¹फलावाप्तनिमित्तमाचन्द्राकार्ण्यवित्रितिस्थिति सरित्यर्थ्यतसमकालिनं¹³ पुत्रपीत्रान्वयभोग्यं
- 19 दानकरविद्योक्षककरविश्वतं भूमिच्छिद्रन्य[1*]येन¹³ उदकातिसर्भेच ब्रह्मदायोतिस्टष्ट: [1*] यत:¹⁴
- 20 अञ्चदेयस्थित्या भुंजतः क्रवतः कर्षयतः प्रदिश्रतस्य न ¹⁵केनयित्स्वस्थाप्याबाधाः विचारसा वा
- 21 कार्यास्राहंश्रजैरागामि[भ]द्रनृपति[भि*]स सामान्धभूमिदानप्रसमवगच्छिद्वरयं-मस्मिहायोत्त-16
- 22 मत्तव्य[: ।*] यशाच्छिन्य[ा*]दाच्छिदामानं वानुमोदेख "पचिमग्रीहापातवै: सीपपातवेसंयुक्तस्खातृ" [।*]
- 23 यपि चाच व्यासगीताः श्लोका भवन्ति ॥ षष्ठिं वर्षसङ्खासि स्वस्त्रेण मोदति भूमिदः [।*] पाच्छेता^श चातु-
- 24 मन्त[1*] च तास्थेव[#] नरके वसेत् [॥*] खदत्त[i*] परदत्तां वा दो इरेत वसुन्धरां [॥*] नवां शतसर्ह[स*]स्य इन्तुः प्र[ा*]प्रोति

¹ Read Sपरीत्तर.

³ Road श्रीसारीव.

[•] Bead यमखवापी.

⁷ Read वसरैव⁰.

Read anfa.

¹³ Bead फलावाप्तिनिमित्तमाचन्द्राकार्धव⁹.

¹⁸ Read व्याधिनोदका.

¹⁵ Read बेनचि.

n Read पश्चिम .

¹⁹ Read वर्ष्टि.

a Read बाच्छेता.

² Read [©]ष्ट्यमेवं.

⁴ Read इपरोत्तर.

[•] Read वापी विश्वतिपादा.

⁸ Read सर्वम.

¹⁰ Read बाजसनेय.

¹³ Read कालीनं.

¹⁶ Read यती.

¹⁶ Read °रयमबाहाबीनुमनाव्य:.

¹⁸ Read ⁰पातकै:,

²⁰ Read खर्गे.

² Read तान्वेव.

25	किल्बिषम्	[#]	यानीच्च	द्रारि	द्रनयाद	ारन्द्रै:¹	धन	ानि	धर	भ्रायतनोक्त	तानि
	[1*]	निर्माल	यवान्तप्रति		तानि			_	•		•

26 को नाम साधु: पुनराददाति [॥*] 'पुर्व्वदत्तां द्विजातिभ्यो यहाद्रष' बुधिष्ठर' [।*] महीं महिवता श्रेष्ठ

27 दानाच्छेयीनुपालनमिति [ा] खहस्तो मम महासामन्तमहाराजध्रुवसेनस्य [॥*]

28 द्रतकः प्रतीहारमग्रकः [॥*] लिखितं किककेनिति [॥*]

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29 सं २०० ७

30 वैशाख ब १० ५ [॥*]

TRANSLATION.

(Line 1.) Om. Hail! From Valabhî.7

(In the race) of the Maitrakas, who prostrated (their) enemies by force, (was born) the devout worshipper of Mahêsvara, the glorious general (sénápati) Bhaṭârka, who obtained splendour in hundreds of battles, fought with a vast crowd of enemies of unequalled strength; who gained the devotion of those whom he had prostrated by (his) splendour, through (his) impartiality (in conferring) presents and honours; (and) who acquired the glory of royalty by the strength of a devoted body of hereditary servants, hired soldiers, and friends.

- (L. 3.) His son (was) the devout worshipper of Mahêsvara, the general Dharasena, whose bent head became purified as it was reddened by the dust of the feet of (his father); the splendour of whose toe-nails blended with the lustre of the crest-jewels on the bent heads of (his) enemies; (and) whose wealth was being lived upon by distressed and helpless people.
- (L. 5.) His younger brother (was) the devout worshipper of Mahêśvara, the Mahârâja Drônasimha, whose spotless crest-jewel was (still more) purified (by his prostrations) at the feet of (his elder brother); who was by nature addicted to the performance of the duties prescribed by Manu and other (law-givers); who, like Dharmarâja (i.e. Yudhishthira), pointed out the path of the rules of good conduct; the ceremony of whose anointment to the royalty was performed by His Majesty (paramasvâmin), the lord of the vast circle of the whole world, in person; (and) who purified (his) royal glory by liberality.
- (L. 8.) His younger brother, the devout worshipper of Bhagavat, the Mahâsâmanta (and) Mahârâja Dhruvasêna,— who meditated on the feet of His Majesty (paramabhaṭṭâraka); who, like a lion, defeated alone, by the strength of his own arm, hosts of troops of enemies (who resembled) elephants; who was the refuge of those seeking refuge; who knew the true

^{. &}lt;sup>3</sup> Read दारिद्राभयाद्गरेन्द्रैर्घनानि.

² Read पूर्व.

⁸ Read °दच.

⁴ Read युधिश्चर.

Bead महिमतां.

⁶ Read विनेति.

⁷ The word Valabhitah depends on samdjudpayati in line 12 below.

⁸ A similar figure of ispeech occurs in verses 20 and 65 of the Mallishena epitaph (pp. 200 and 206 above), where the dust of the feet and the dirt on the body of holy men are said to purify from sin.

⁹ Previous translators have construed the words simils is such the preceding word Drônasimha. The subsequent mention of the elephants,— which are always represented as the natural enemies of the lion,— shows that simils is must be connected with the following words.

meaning of the Śāstras; (and) who, like the kalpa tree, conferred the enjoyment of rewards according to (their) desires on friends and favourites,—being in good health, issues (the following) command to all the Āyuktakas, Viniyuktakas, Drāngikas, Mahattaras, Dhruvas, Sthānādhikaranikas, Dāndapāsikas, irregular and regular soldiers, and so forth:—

- (L. 12.) "Be it known to you that, in order to increase the religious merit of (my) mother and father, and in order to obtain myself the desired reward in this and in the next (world), (I) have given,— to last as long as the moon, the sun, the sea and the earth, (and) for the same time as the rivers and the mountains, to be enjoyed by (the donee's) sons, grandsons and (further) descendants, free of taxes (in the shape) of gifts and taxes (in the shape) of forced labour, according to the maxim of bhûmichchhidra, with libations of water, as a brahmaddya,— in the village of Hariyanaka, which belongs to Akshasarakaprapa, (a subdivision) of the Hastavapraharani (district), four khandas of cultivated land at the north-western boundary (and) four khandas of cultivated land at the north-eastern boundary,— thus eight khandas of cultivated land in which (are contained) three hundred pâdâvartas, (in figures) pâo 300,— (and) at the north-western boundary of the same village a double cistern (yamala-vâpî), forty pâdâvartas in area, (and) a second cistern, twenty pâdâvartas in area,— thus in the same (village) altogether three hundred and sixty pâdâvartas,— to the Brâhmana Dhammila, who resides in the same (village), belongs to the Darbha gôtra, (and) studies the Vâjasanêya (śâkhā).
- (L. 19.) "Wherefore, nobody should create even a small obstruction or objection to (the dones) while he enjoys (the granted land) according to the rules relating to brahmadeyas, cultivates (it), causes (it) to be cultivated, and assigns (it to others).
- (L. 21.) "And future gracious kings born of our lineage, knowing the reward of a gift of land to be common (to all kings), should approve of this our gift.
- (L. 22.) "And who may confiscate (this grant) or approve of its confiscation, he shall be guilty of the five great sins together with the minor sins.
- (L. 23.) "And with reference to this (subject) there are (the following) verses composed by Vyasa:—"

[Four of the customary verses.]

(L. 27.) (This is) the own signature of me, the Mahâsâmanta (and) Mahârâja Dhruvasêna. The Dûtaka (is) the door-keeper (pratîhâra) Mammaka. (This edict was) written by Kikkaka. The year 200 (and) 7; (the month) Vaisâkha; the dark (fortnight); (the tithi) 10 (and) 5.

No. 47.— RECORDS OF THE SOMAVAMSI KINGS OF KATAK.

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Of the copper-plate charters which I deal with on this occasion, two, C. and F., are now brought to notice for the first time, I believe; the others are re-edited, partly with a view to giving more correct versions of them, and partly in order to bring the whole series together in one and the same place.

¹ Vittôllaka is probably the same as the Sanskrit vishti, the Telugu vetti and the Kanarese bitti. The designation of the lowest village servant, Vettivada in Telugu and Vettigan in Tumil, is derived from this word.

With the adjective Akshasarakaprapiya compare Vatasthalikaprayiya in another Valabhi grant; Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 206.

² According to Böhtlingk and Roth's Sanskrit-Wörterbuch, pádávarta is explained by the commentator on Kâtyâyana's Śrantasútra as 'a square foot.' Compare also Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, p. 170, note 4.

⁴ The same expression occurs in another Valabhî grant; Ind. Ant. Vol. IX. p. 238.

Of the latter, the first that was brought to notice is B., one of the set of three charters issued by Maha-Bhavagupta I. in his thirty-first year. It was edited in 1876, in the Ind. Ant. Vol. V. p. 55 ff., by Babu Rangalala Banerjea, who propounded the views—(1) that Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. belonged to the dynasty of "the great Guptas," meaning, apparently, the Early Guptas, or to some branch of it established in the Kalinga country; (2) that E., which record, though not then published, had been examined by him, proves that a king named Yayâti reigned in Orissa when Mahâ-Śivagupta, the son of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I., was the king of the three Kalingas; (3) that the kings of Orissa were feudatories of the Guptas, and made all their grants in the names of their paramount masters; (4) that Yayâti is to be identified with a certain Yayâti-Kêsari, who, according to a (supposed) historical account of Orissa, compiled by Mr. Andrew Stirling from two local vamsavalis or genealogical lists of kings and from the Rájacharitra chapter of the Mádlá-Páñji or archives preserved in the temple of Jagannátha at Purî, and published in the Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV. (1825), pp. 254 to 305, was the founder of the Kêsari dynasty of Orissa, and reigned from A.D. 473 to 520; and (5) that the period of Mahâ-Ŝivagupta, and of the record itself, is determined by this identification.3

Next there was brought to notice E., the charter issued by Mahâ-Śivagupta in the ninth year of Yayâti, i.e. in his own ninth year, which was edited by the same gentleman in 1877, in the Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XLVI. Part I. p. 149 ff. On this occasion, he again treated Mahâ-Śivagupta and Yayâti as distinct personages; and, in fact, he pointedly emphasised the supposed difference of personality. He repeated the view that the Kêsaris of Orissa acknowledged the Guptas as the paramount power,-i.e. that Yayâti was a feudatory of Mahâ-Śivagupta,— and that the grant was made by Yayâti in the name of his supreme sovereign. He again accepted the period of A.D. 474 to 5264 for Yayâti, And, taking Janamêjaya to be simply an "ancestor" of Yayâti,- not his father; though this is the relationship which is distinctly stated in the record, and which was acknowledged by the Babu himself in his translation of it,—he identified Janamejaya with a person of the same name who, according to tradition, founded the city of Kaṭak-Chaudwâr;5 and he placed him seven generations before Yayâti, and allotted him to the earlier part of the first century A.D.

In the same year, and in the same volume, p. 175 ff., A., another of the charters issued by Mahâ-Bhavagupta I., and dated in the sixth year of Janamêjaya, i.e. in his own sixth

¹ Called simply 'Sivagupta' by the Babu, who did not notice the point that the father of Maha-Bhavagupta I. was Sivagupta, and his son was Maha-Sivagupta. So also, except in the translation, he called Maha-Bhavagupta I. simply 'Bhavagupta.'

According to Mr. Stirling, he commenced to reign in A.D. 473 after the end of Saka-Samvat 896 (loc. cit. p. 264), and died A.D. 520 (p. 266).—Since Mr. Stirling's time, the records of the temple of Jagannatha have been twice investigated (see Sir William Hunter's Orisea, edition of 1872, Vol. I. pp. 198, 199, and notes 43, 44); in 1868 by Dr. Rajendralala Mitra, whose arrangements for publication, however, were prevented by the priests from being carried out; and at an earlier date by Bhabani Charan Bandopadhyaya, who published his results in a Bengali work entitled Purushottamachandrika. Sir William Hunter says that this account "is fuller " and more carefully done than Stirling's excellent sketch;" he is "inclined to believe that all the really historical " matter has now been extracted;" and he has given the list of kings and dates, thus made out, from B.C. 3101 to A.D. 1871, with the leading features of the statements made in connection with them, in his Orisea, Vol. II. Appendix VII. pp. 183 to 191. This account agrees with Mr. Stirling's account, in representing Yayati-Kasari as the founder of the Kêsari dynasty. The period that it gives for him, however, is A.D. 474 to 526,—differing slightly from the period arrived at by Mr. Stirling; and there are differences in some of the other dates also.

³ He recognised, indeed, on paleographic grounds, that the records "cannot be very ancient" (loo. vit. p. 60). But he said distinctly that he supposed Maha-Sivagupta " to have been a contemporary of Yayati-Kêsari, who reigned between the years 474 and 526 A.D." (for these dates, see the end of the preceding note).

[·] See the preceding two notes.

⁵ i.e. " the four-gated Katak." It would appear that the original city was Chaudwar or Chaudwara, on the north bank of the Mahanadi; and that the present town Katak, velgo 'Cuttack,' on the south bank, is of later origin,

year, was edited by Babu Pratapachandra Ghosha, who, however, abstained from any historical disquisitions; he contented himself with saying that it was not evident from the record what Janamêjaya had to do with the grant, and that, until Janamêjaya could be identified, it was needless to make any attempt to fix the date of the record.

And finally, D., another of the set of three charters issued by Maha-Bhavagupta I. in his thirty-first year, was edited in 1882, in the Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. LI. Part I. Proceedings, p. 9 ff., by Dr. Rajendralala Mitra, whose remarks on it furnish about as good an illustration as could well be sought, of the cumulative results of careless and uncritical work, following blindly in the track of writers who have handled matters that they could not deal with properly. He took Babu Rangalala Banerjea as referring to "the later Gupta kings of Magadha;" evidently, simply because, as he himself asserted (loc. cit. p. 10), - without the slightest foundation in fact for the second and third assertions,— "we know from the Aphsad inscription "that there was a long line of Gupta kings" (i.e. the Guptas of Magadha) "in Behâr, and they "called themselves the lords of the three Kalingas, and that Bhavagupta was one of them." 1 He misread the name of the king as 'Mahâdêvagupta,' and represented the person, whose existence he thus arrived at, as a grandson of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. himself. Taking an expression, towards the end of the record, which describes Maha-Bhavagupta I. as a very god Kandarpa (Kâmadêva) in respect of religion, as giving the name of the person who made the grant, and endorsing an assertion of Babu Rangalala Banerjea that the Sastras enjoin that sovereign kings only had the power of granting land in perpetuity, he arrived at the conclusion that "the donor was ostensibly Mahârâja Mahâdêvagupta, son of Sivagupta, but really a petty "chief of Kôsala, of the name of Kandarpadêva, who, not being himself competent, according to "the Smriti, to grant land, which theoretically belongs to the paramount power, invokes his name, "and dates it after him." He followed Babu Rangalala Banerjea, in accepting A.D. 474 to 526 as the period of Yayâti, the alleged founder of the Kêsari dynasty according to the local annals. and in making him a contemporary of Mahâ-Sivagupts. And he placed the supposed Mahâdêvagupta, and the date of his record, about the beginning of the sixth century A.D.

The mistaken views summarised above are based on three radical errors. One is the failure to recognise what seems clear enough even from A. and E.; viz. that Janamêjaya and Yayâti were Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. and Mahâ-Śivagupta themselves. Another is the perfectly unsustainable assertion that none but paramount sovereigns could make grants of land, whether in perpetuity or otherwise; as the result of which, it is to be taken that the supposed feudatory prince Janamêjaya, for instance, issuing charter A., had all the essential part of it worded as if it were issued by a totally different person, viz. his supposed paramount sovereign Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. And the third is the blind acceptance of the local annals, and of the period which they purport to establish for Yayâti, the alleged founder of the Kêsari dynasty.

As regards the last of these mistakes,—it should surely be almost unnecessary to say that, even if any germs of ancient historical truth at all are contained in the annals in question, there is certainly nothing in them that can be accepted without complete corroboration from outside. Mr. Stirling, indeed, while questioning everything before Yayâti-Kêsari, looked upon the accounts as reliable from that point; he considered that the "later annals assume an "air of authenticity about the date of the accession of the Kêsari-Vamsa, 473 A.D., prior to "which the accounts are so replete with obvious falsehoods, contradiction, inconsistency, and "anachronism, as to be equally unintelligible and unworthy of notice" (Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV. p. 256). But he shewed no reasons for this differentiation, which was plainly based on

¹ But the Aphsad inscription (Gupta Inscriptions, p. 200), and the other records of the same family (id. pp. 208, 211, 213), make no mention whatever of the Kalinga country, and contain no such name as Bhavagupta, which, in fact, does not occur in any record known to me, apart from these Katak charters. And the asserted details are not even to be found in Dr. Rajendralala Mitra's own rendering of the Aphsad record (Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XXXV. Part I. p. 267).— I suppose he was thinking of Mådhavagupta, who was one of the Guptas of Magadha.

nothing except that, after the mention of the traditional king Vikramâditya, who is represented as having reigned for a hundred and thirty-five years, - in order to fill up the chronological interval between the commencement of the Vikrama era (B.C. 58) and the commencement of the Saka era (A.D. 77),--"the era of Salivâhana" (i.e. the Saka era), "which dates its "commencement from A.D. 77 in Orissa, is used in all the accounts, and we now come to reigns " of a probable and moderate duration, the first dawning of an approach to the authentic period "of the native history" (ibid. p. 262). And he simply attached to the annals of Orissa a value which neither they, nor any other Hindû records of the same kind that have ever yet come to light, can possibly possess. It is almost needless to say that the annals in question do not include any such names at all as Sivagupta and Bhavagupta; these being real historical names, it is not to be expected that they would be found in such documents. They undoubtedly do preserve a reminiscence of Janamêjaya-Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. and Yayâti-Mahâ-Sivagupta, in the names of Yayati-Kêsari, and of Janamêjaya-Kêsari which also occurs in the list of the Kêsari kings; 2 for, otherwise, there is no reason why such purely Purânic names should crop up in a series of mostly quite ordinary names. But they do so under completely erroneous and anachronistic circumstances. According to the annals, Yayâti-Kêsari was the first of his dynasty, and was succeeded by 'Suraj'- or 'Sûrjya'-, i.e. Sûrya-Kêsari, and Janamêjaya-Kêsari came long after him, in the period A.D. 754 to 763; whereas, the copper-plate charters shew that Yayâti-Mahâ-Śivagupta was the third king of his line,—that Janamêjaya-Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. was his predecessor and father,—and that he was succeeded by Bhîmaratha-Mahâ-Bhavagupta II., ef whom we possibly have a perverted reminiscence in the name of the alleged Bharata-Kêsari who is placed next after Janamêjaya-Kêsari, in the period A.D. 763 to 778. And,—even apart from what I shall shew below, as to the period to which the real Yayâti-Mahâ-Śivagupta must be referred,—the annals unconsciously betray themselves, by connecting with the name of Yayâti-Kêsari events which can have happened only several centuries at least after the period which they would establish for him. They say that, just before him, some people called Yavanas ruled over Orissa for a hundred and forty-six years, and that he established his own dynasty by expelling the Yavanas (ibid. pp. 264, 265, and Orissa, Vol. II. Appendix VII. p. 185): as I will shew further on, though the Yavanas here are the Early Gupta kings, the term elsewhere means, all through the annals, the Musalmans,3 and the statements connected with Yayâti-Kêsari mix up the Early Gupta rule with the Musalmân conquests: if then, the statements are based on no actual fact, but simply on what took place generally in Northern India, they cannot refer truly to any time anterior to the period of Mahmud of Ghazni (A.D. 1001 to 1030), who, moreover, did not penetrate as far as Orissa; while, if they commemorate an actual conquest of Orissa, they cannot possibly refer to any time anterior to A.D. 1567-68, when Sulaiman, king of Bengal, defeated the last independent king of Orissa and practically subjugated the province.4

As regards the second mistake,—whatever the Sastras may say, or seem to say, the assertion that none but paramount sovereigns could make grants of land is without any basis of fact: any number of epigraphic instances to the contrary could be quoted; and, though there are instances enough of feudatories and officials making grants with the permission of their supreme kings, yet even then the grants were always made by them in their own names, and not a single authentic case can be quoted of a feudatory or official assuming the name of his king or other superior authority for the purpose of issuing a charter.

¹ i.e. apparently, the people of Orissa use the current Saka years.

³ Orissa, Vol. II. Appendix VII. p. 186.— Mr. Stirling did not enumerate all the Kêsari kings; and so this name is not to be found in his account.

³ It is sufficient to note here that, in the Chitôrgadh inscription of A.D. 1428 or 1429, Fîrûz Shâh or Fîrûz-ud-dîn Taghlaq, king of Delhi (A.D. 1351 to 1388), is called "the Yavana king Pêrôja" (Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 410).

4 See the Imperial Gazetteer, Vol. X. p. 430.

The Sômavamsi Kings of Katak.

Sivagupta.

Jana mêjayaMahâ-Bhavagupta I.

YayâtiMahâ-Sivagupta.

BhîmarathaMahâ-Bhavagupta II.

And as to the first of them, the facts are these. A. names, in the formal part of the record, a paramount king named Sivagupta, and his successor Mahâ-Bhavagupta (I.) who made the grant; it is dated in the sixth year of a paramount king named Janamejaya; and it ends with a verse in praise of this latter king, who, like Mahâ-Bhavagupta (I.), is attributed to the Lunar Race. E. opens by mentioning in verse a king named Janamêjaya, and his son Yayâti; then, in the formal part of the record, it names a paramount king named Mahâ-Bhavagupta (I.), and his successor Mahâ-Sivagupta who made the grant; and it is dated in the ninth year of Yayati, to whose name there are here attached the paramount titles, just as in the case of Mahâ-Śivagupta, and who, like Mahâ-Śivagupta, is here described as belonging to the family of the Moon, and as being the lord of the three Kalingas. And F., after mentioning in the opening verses three kings named Janamêjaya, Yayâti, and Bhîmaratha, names, in the formal part of the record, the paramount king Mahâ-Sivagupta, and his successor Mahâ-Bhavagupta (II.) who made the grant; and it is dated in the third year of Bhîmaratha. to whose name there are here attached just the same paramount titles which are attached to the name of Mahâ-Bhavagupta (II.), and who, just like Mahâ-Bhavagupta (II.) in this record and Mahâ-Sivagupta in E., is here described as belonging to the family of the Moon, and as being the lord of the three Kalingas. It is true that the fact is not specifically stated. But it is self-evident that we have the names of four kings, Sivagupta, Mahâ-Bhavagupta I., Mahâ-Ŝivagupta, and Mahâ-Bhavagupta II., each the father of his successor, and that Janamêjaya, Yayâti, and Bhîmaratha were simply fanciful names of the second, third, and fourth of them. They were paramount kings of the Kôsala country; for, the charters issued in the thirty-first year of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. style him Kôsal-êndra or "lord of Kôsala" and convey villages in different divisions of the Kôsala territory,- Mahâ-Śivagupta's charter conveys a village in, plainly, Dakshina-Kôsalâ or Southern Kôsala, - and the charter of Mahâ-Bhavagupta II. conveys a village in yet another division of Kôsala: and, unless one of their titles, tri-Kaling-adhipati, was simply a meaningless attribute, they were also paramount kings of the territory that was known as the three Kalingas, and which included evidently Katak or 'Cuttack,' and probably the whole of Orissa. Their capital seems to have been Katak, which is mentioned by name in A., B., C., and D., as the place from which those charters were issued: E. and F., however, were issued from other towns named Vinitapura and Yayâtinagara, both, like Katak, on the Mahânadî; these places have not been identified; but it appears possible that the names are fanciful names for Katak itself. And they claimed to

¹ Regarding the point that Yayatinagara cannot be the modern Jajpur, see page 355 below.

belong to the Sômavainsa or Sômakula, the Lunar Race. Their dynastic name proper has not yet come to light. But their paramount titles,—Paramabhatṭāraka, Mahārējādhirāja, and Paramēśvara,—were not the exclusive attributes of the Guptas, as Babu Rangalala Banerjea thought. And, even apart from the fact that their period is plainly too late, the termination of their names does not require us to allot them to the lineage of the Early Guptas, or even of the later Guptas of Magadha; and there appears no reason whatever for our doing so.

There remains for consideration the period to which these kings may be allotted. And, as their records are not dated in any era, and their names have not been met with in any other records so dated or capable of being assigned to an exact date by means of a record so dated, this question can only be dealt with approximately, on palmographic grounds. The results, however, are sufficiently definite, within certain limits.

The characters used in these charters are Nagari. Partly because of the locality to which the charters belong, and partly because of certain unique forms of the vowels é, ai, and au, which will be noticed again further on and which are radically different from any forms to be found in records from Southern and Western India, they must unquestionably be allotted to the northern class of Någarî alphabets. And they exhibit more or less of a tendency towards a particular type of that class of Någari alphabets, to which, rightly or wrongly, the special name of Kutila has come to be attached. A comparison of the records, one with each other, shews this peculiarity most plainly in B., C., D., and E. And characters of apparently much the same type with the present ones, as exhibited in these four records, are carried back to about the middle of the seventh century A.D. by the Aphsad inscription (Behâr) of Adityasena (Gupta Inscriptions, p. 204, Plate). But closer inspection shews that the present characters are very much later than those of the Aphsad record; contrast, for instance, the initial & of the Aphsad inscription, in &sid, line 1, and the k, j, t, m, r, and s, in katakô, jayinâ, madândha, pidyâdhar, and sahasra in the same line, with the initial â in âkshêptâ, line 20, and the k, j, t, m, r, and s, in katakát, samávásita, vijaya, and parama, line l, of B., and still more with the same characters as exhibited in the same words in A. lines 1 and 27. From these letters alone, it is evident that a very considerable interval must have elapsed from the period of the Aphsad record to the time when these charters were engraved. And, reverting further on to a few individual letters, I will deal first with some other features which, endorsing the above result, help better to fix the approximate period of these charters. In making comparisons, I shall quote records, with published facsimiles, which come from the nearest possible localities to the part of the country to which the charters under consideration belong.

A point which will at once attract attention, as suggestive of a certain amount of antiquity, is the use of numerical symbols, for 'three' and 'ten' in E. line 65. But we are

² This name was first used by Prinsep, in 1837 (Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. VI. p. 779), on the authority of the words kutil-dkshardni vidusha, which occur towards the end of the Dêwal inscription of the Chhinda prince Lalla. In re-editing this record, Dr. Bühler (Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 76) has expressed the opinion that the words mean, not that the writer was acquainted with letters called Kutila or 'crooked letters,' but that he was skilled in reading ' badly written and difficult ' documents. I think, however, that the analogous expressions quoted by me from other records in noticing the words used in the Déwal inscription (Gupta Inscriptions, p. 201), make it quite clear that, whatever it may actually mean, the expression refers to the characters in which that record itself is engraved. And the contrast between them (see the Plate, Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 76) and the far more straight, square, and plain characters of, for instance, the Deopara' inscription of Vijayasêna (ibid. p. 308, Plate), indicates that the reference must be to the type of them, the peculiarity of which perhaps consists more in the general avoidance of straight lines, than in the tails or bottom twists to the right which appear also in the 'Deopara' inscription and in other records in the square characters. - As I remarked on the same occasion, the expression kutil-aksharani does not seem to have been used in the Dêwal inscription with the object of recording a standing name of a variety of the alphabet. But the term Kutila fits the type of letters so well, that, as it has been in use for so long a time, there really seems no objection to continue it, as the designation of a variety of the northern Nagari alphabet, not as the name of a distinct a lphabet.

not compelled to place the record, on this account, before A.D. 794-95; for, the same system was used in the grant (from somewhere in Bengal) of the Mahárája Vinâyakapâla, the date of which falls in that year (Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 140, Plate). And the force of this feature is impaired by the fact that decimal figures also occur in all the six charters. This latter feature, indeed, does not oblige us to place these records after A.D. 862; for, decimal figures occur in the Dêogadh inscription (Central India) of Bhôjadêva of Kanauj, of that year (Archæol. Surv. Ind. Vol. X. Plate xxxiii. No. 2). But it points to about A.D. 800, as the earliest possible time for these charters.

The next point to which attention may be given, is the use of the virâma, in conjunction with the full form of t in B. to F., and once in conjunction with the full form of n in B.; this feature, however, being qualified by the use also of final forms of t, n, and m, more or less throughout the whole series. The virâma perhaps occurs with t in samvat, line 6, in the Dêôgadh inscription of A.D. 862.1 It certainly occurs, in conjunction with a half final form of t,—a complete t, except for the absence of the mátrá or horizontal top-stroke,—in pañchásat, line 20 (twice), in the Gwalior inscription (Central India) of the same king, of A.D. 875-76 (Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 160, Plate). It appears in conjunction with the full forms of t and m in the Pehoa inscription (Paŭjâb) of Mahêndrapâla, of about A.D. 900 (ibid. p. 244, Plate); see, for instance, saragabhrit, line 2, and tapam, line 3. And it occurs in conjunction with the full forms of t, n, and m in the Khajurâhô inscription (Bundêlkhaṇḍ) of Yaśôvarman, of A.D. 953-54 (ibid. p. 124, Plate); see, for instance, varût, line 1, tyûgavûn, line 3, and nireritim, line 28. So far, therefore, as the use of the virâma is concerned, the present charters need not be placed after A.D. 900. And the use of final forms also might seem to necessitate our placing them before that date. But, though the records mentioned above shew no final forms at all, a final form of t occurs in the word samuat, lines 32 and 33, of the Harsha inscription (Râjputânâ) of Vigraharâja, of A.D. 973 (id. Vol. II. p. 120, Plate); and the Dêwal inscription (North-West Provinces) of the Chhinda prince Lalla, of A.D. 992-93 (id. Vol. I. p. 76, Plate), shews, e.g. in bhuvam, line 8, a half final form of m,— a complete m, except for the matra, with a virama attached to it. And therefore, in spite of the use of final forms, the charters may also, without objection, be placed as late as A.D. 973.

Another instructive feature is the use of the avagraha in E. and F.; properly, in E. line 38, to denote the elision of an initial a after an ô, and incorrectly, in E. line 29, and F. line 35, to mark the absorption of an initial a into a preceding â. This sign does not occur in any of the other records mentioned above. And the earliest other instances of the use of it, that I can quote, are vâşnumôdêta in line 43 of the Barôda grant (Gujarât) of Dhârâvarshan Nirupama-Dhruvarâja, of A.D. 834 or 835 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 200, Plate), and vuddhvâsmad in line 25 of the Ujjain grant (Mâlwa) of Vâkpatirâja of Dhârâ, of A.D. 974 or 975 (id. Vol. VI. p. 52, Plate), in both of which places it is used, improperly, to mark the absorption of an initial a into a preceding â, and śilpêşntarâyaḥ, line 4, dadhêşvasâdam, line 13, and lânchhitôssir, line 18, where it is used correctly, and śrutvâṣnyathâ, line 19, where it is used incorrectly, in the 'Deopara' inscription of Vijayasêna, attributable to the end of the eleventh century A.D. (Ep. Ind. Vol. I. p. 308, Plate). It is a sign which is emphatically opposed to any particular amount of antiquity.

Still more instructive is the use of the fully developed matras or horizontal topstrokes of the letters, almost all through these charters. In A. and F., this feature is very unmistakable,—plain straight lines being used. In B., C., and D., the upright strokes are capped with triangular tops, cloven on the upper side; the matras were formed by running

¹ The Aphsad inscription was constructed in such a way as to avoid both the virâma and final forms; except in one word, varayan, line 9, where an anusvâra was wrongly substituted for the n, either as a final, or in samdhi with the following m.

these tops into each other; and the result was, that the matras here are not always perfect: but the intention is evident. In E., in which the upright strokes were capped in the same way, many of the letters present a still more disjointed appearance; but there can be little doubt that this was induced largely in the preparation of the lithograph, which is plainly not altogether a mechanical one, and that the intended general style was precisely the same as in B., C., and D. There is, indeed, one letter, ph, in respect of which a distinction has to be drawn between A. and F. on the one side, and B., C., D., and E. on the other: for some reason or other, in the latter four charters.— probably from aiming generally at copying a more antique style,—ph is exceptionally formed, throughout, with only the half matra, over the left-hand part of the letter; see, for instance, phalam and asphôtayanti, B. lines 18, 23, and muktaphala and sphâribhavach, E. lines 19, 1, and contrast these words with aphala and asphôtavanti, A. lines 25, 29, and aphala and dattdt=phalam, F. lines 49, 50. In other respects, the charters are all in unison: and the facts are as follows,—ih does not occur, and th occurs only subjoined; the kh, q, \tilde{n}, n, th , and f are what may be called round-top letters; the t and dh have no mátrá: the I has a half matra, over the upright stroke on the right hand, rather than a full one; and all the other consonants have the full matra: among the initial vowels, e, ai, ô, and au are roundtop letters, and a, \hat{a}, i, \hat{i} , and u have the $m\hat{a}tr\hat{a}$; \hat{u} does not occur. In dealing with the question of the matras, the instructive letters are p, m, y, sh, and s. In the Aphsad inscription of about A.D. 650, the grant of Vinâyakapâla of A.D. 794-95, the Dêôgadh inscription of A.D. 862, the Gwalior inscription of A.D. 875-76, and even the Harsha inscription of A.D. 973, these five letters are without the complete matra, - having tops on only the left-hand part of them. But the Khajuraho inscription of A.D. 953-54 presents the fully developed matras in the five letters in question, as well as in all the others which admit of it; and they appear also in the Dêwal inscription of A.D. 992-93,2 in the Nanyaurâ copper-plate grant (North-West Provinces) of Dhangadêva, of A.D. 998 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 202, Plate), and in the Jhûsî grant (North-West Provinces) of Trilôchanapâla, of A.D. 1027 (id. Vol. XVIII. p. 34, Plate). The transitional period appears to be illustrated by the Pehoa inscription of about A.D. 900, where, for instance, in vatau, line 1, ékatâm, line 1, ôdayah, line 6, gatêshu, line 1, and sadvritta, line 11, the p, m, y, sh, and s distinctly have only the half matra over the left part of the letter, though in the majority of cases the mâtrâs of even these five letters are complete; and still more pointedly by the Asnî inscription (North-West Provinces) of Mahîpâla, of A.D. 916-17 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 174, Plate), which very clearly shews the letters in question both with and without the complete mâtrâ. And the result from this feature is, that the present charters need not be placed after A.D. 950, but can hardly be placed before A.D. 900.

An examination of individual characters leads to much the same result; except that the forms of k and ph, which represent almost the last stage before the development of the modern forms, seem to necessitate an appreciably later period. A similar instance of the k with the markedly round shape of the left-hand part of it which is exhibited in these charters,—see, e.g., kaṭakâṭ, A. line l, and paramabhaṭṭâraka, B. lines l, 2,—occurs, by some chance or other, in the word ârka, line 21, of the Gwâlior inscription of A.D. 875-76; and this instance must probably be taken as shewing that the form was known then, though it had not been introduced into epigraphic use: but, in the remainder of that record, in the Dêôgaḍh and Asnî inscriptions, and even in the Harsha and Dêwal inscriptions, the k is decidedly of the pointed type: the round type is followed first in the Pehoa inscription of about A.D. 900; and it re-appears in the Khajurâhô inscription, and in the Nanyaurâ and Jhûsî grants. As regards the ph with

¹ In dattat=phalam, E. line 45, where the ph has the complete matra, the engraver's tool seems to have slipped.

² Some of the strokes are rather thin; with the result that the complete matral is sometimes wanting, or in the lithograph seems to be so. But it appears clear that the fully developed matrals were intended throughout.

the complete mdtrd, as exhibited in aphala, A. line 25,— (the same word in F. lines 49, 50 shews essentially the same type, but a later form in which the right-hand stroke is continued down to the bottom line of the writing). — the same type, and almost the same form, occurs in the Pehoa inscription of about A.D. 900, in sat-phalâ, line 15, and dvirêphô, line 19: the only clear difference in form is, that in the present charters the stroke to the right and downwards, which turns p into ph, is left open, whereas in the Pehoa inscription it is turned back on to the upright stroke from which it starts, as also, for instance, in the word phalam, lines 26, 29, in the grant of Vâkpatirâja of A.D. 974 or 975; but perhaps the Pehoa inscription shews also,—especially in the word dvirêphô, — in a rudimentary shape, the continuation of this stroke, downwards in a slanting direction to the right, which produced the next form of this letter before the final development of the modern form, and which is illustrated very plainly in the Ujjain grant of Bhôjadêva of Dhârâ, of A.D. 1021 or 1022, in the word phalam, line 14 (Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 54, and Plate). The other records, quoted above, however, shew the antique ph of the Aphsad inscription and earlier records, which is of a very different type; and so does even the Pehoa inscription, when the ph is in conjunction with s,— see sphurita, line 2, spharam, line 8, spharabhavat, line 9, sphuran, line 11, and sphūrjat, line 14. The antique ph appears again in the Nanyaurâ grant (North-West Provinces) of Dêvavarmadêva, of about A.D. 1050 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 202, Plate), in phalam, line 16. But the grant of Chandradeva and Madanapåladêva, of A.D. 1097 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 12, Plate), reverting, in the word phalam, line 20, to the later type, shews also a form which is later than the form of that type used in the Pehoa inscription, and which was arrived at by making the stroke to the right and then downwards start, not from the top, but from the side of the p, and also by continuing it markedly still further down in a slanting direction to the right, without closing it in at all on the side-stroke from which it starts. This last form, - evidently the latest stage before the final development of the modern form,- appears also in the grant of Madanavarmadêva, of A.D. 1134 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 208, Plate), in phalam, line 19; and in all the later records which I have examined. And the transitional period, when it was developed, seems to be marked by the Gwâlior inscription of Mahîpâla, of A.D. 1093 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 36, Plate), which shews the antique type in ôtphulla, line 1, and phalam, line 11, but the later type, and the later form of that type, in sphurati, line 2, sphuta, line 12, and sphatika, lines 38 and 39. This third form of the later type is undoubtedly of later origin than the form which appears in the present charters. But the form of the later type which we have in the Pehoa inscription of about A.D. 900 seems to be as certainly of earlier origin than the form used in the present charters; for we have it in Western India in records of A.D. 754 and 807 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 112 and Plate, gulpha, text line 12; and p. 160 and Plate phalam, text line 57).

Of the vowels,—a, d, u (\hat{u} does not occur), and \hat{o} do not present any matter for special comment; they are simply developments of the types which occur through all the records mentioned above. The form of i,— which, with an addition, makes also \hat{i} ,— is a very peculiar one. In A. lines 11, 22, 37, 39, 42, the short i is denoted by a straight line (in fact a $m\hat{a}tr\hat{a}$) with two circles below it; in B. line 32, the straight line is turned into a wavy line (and so also in C. line 33, and D. line 36); in E. lines 39, 57, the circles are still preserved, but (if the lithograph shews the letter completely) the straight line or $m\hat{a}tr\hat{a}$ is broken up into two disconnected points; and in F. line 64, the top of the letter is a wavy line of another shape, and there are semi-circles, instead of circles, below it: the long \hat{i} occurs only by mistake for i; in A. lines 16, 21, it is the short i of that record, with, below it, a twirl from the left to the right, then downwards, and then upwards to the left; in F. line 44, it is made by a wavy line, two circles below it, and, below

¹ The type used in B., C., D., and E., is the same with that used in A.; but there is the difference in form already noted, that the matrix is not complete.

them, a short line slightly curved downwards from left to right. Probably, the standard forms, of both the short and the long yowel, are those which we have in A., and the others are only fancy modifications of them. But the type is essentially the same throughout. It differs totally from the type followed in all the other records quoted above, and exhibited in them by the short i, which consists of two circles with a twirl, of varying shapes, below them. I do not find any close resemblance to it anywhere else. But it may have been developed from the short i of the earlier Eastern Chalukya records, which was formed by a wavy line or two semicircles joined (easily capable of being developed into the straight line of A.), with two dots or circles below it (see, for instance, Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 214 and Plate, ih=aijaté and iv=âtipûtam, text line 40); the long î and the short u, however, have no connection at all with the long i and the u, long or short, of the earlier Eastern Chalukva records (see, for instance, id. Vol. VII. p. 17, and Plate, îśânataḥ and uttarataḥ, text lines 54, 55, and Vol. XIII. p. 186, and Plate, ûri and ûru, text lines 17, 18, 20, 24). The initial ê, which, with an addition, forms at (see êka, êtêbhyô, and aivuli, A. lines 10, 12, 18), is a still more remarkable letter. It has no connection with the original triangular character, with the apex placed downwards, from which were derived the forms which appear in the Gwâlior, Pehoa, Asnî, Khajurâhô, Harsha, Dêwal, and Nanyaurâ records;3 nor with the é of the earlier Eastern Chalukya records (see, for instance, Ind. Ant. Vol. VII. p. 17, and Plate, étad, line 55, and Vol. XIII. p. 214, and Plate, ékâdaśa, line 27): and it can hardly have been developed from even another form of the é which we meet with in Gujarât (id. Vol. XII. p. 159, and Plate, élápur, line 14). In Prinsep's Antiquities, Vol. II. pp. 40, 41, Plate xxxix., Mr. Thomas has given both the \hat{e} and the ai, as we have them in A., as Bengali characters of the tenth century A.D., - meaning really the eleventh century, as is evident from the fuller heading of his eighth line of alphabets in the first half of his Table. But I have not been able to verify his authority for this, - an inscription from 'Adisur,' supposed to be dated A.D. 1065. As far as my knowledge goes, the forms of ê and ai, used in A., are unique in epigraphic records. And, by Mr. Thomas himself in another Table (loc. cit. p. 53), and by a work entitled Grammatography4 (see page 45 of it), forms which are practically identical with these, are given as the modern Bengâli forms. The initial au, which is but very seldom met with, occurs in audalya, F. line 40. It is different in form from, but it may possibly be a development (and, if so, it is certainly a later form) of, the au which we have in auttarésvarah in line 22 of the Harsha inscription of A.D. 973. As in the case of the ê and the ai, the form which we have here is, as far as my knowledge goes, unique in epigraphic records. And, while, as in the case of the & and the ai, Mr. Thomas has in his first Table allotted this form to the tenth century A.D., - meaning really the eleventh century,- in his second Table he has given a practically identical form as the modern Bengâlî form; and the Grammatography does the same.

¹ Curiously enough, if we remove the straight line which forms the top of the long i as exhibited in A., we have, exactly, the short i of the Dêôgadh, Gwâlior, Harsha, Dêwal, Nanyaurâ, and Jhûsî records. But this can be only a chance coincidence.

² The Chicacole Ganga grant of Satyavarman (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIV. p. 10, and Plate; the genuineness of this record is open to question) presents an equally peculiar form of the short i,— exactly an inversion of the i exhibited in A.,— two circles at the top, and a straight or slightly curved line below them (see iti, line 20, and iddnim, line 22). The only approximation that I can find to this, is the i of iva in line 1 of the Kadi grant (Gujarât) of Mûlarâja I., of A.D. 986, where the vowel is formed by two semicircles, with a wavy line below them (Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 192, Plate); but throughout the rest of that record the form is the usual one,—two semicircles, with a twirl below them.

³ The Chicacole Ganga grant of Dêvêndravarman (Ind. Ant. Vol. XIII. p. 274, and Plate; the genuineness of this record, also, is open to question) shews an exact inversion of this original form,— a triangle with the apex placed upwards (see &vam, line 23).

Based on the German compilation of F. Ballhorn, and ablished (1861) by Trübner & Co.

The general result of the palæographic considerations, taken altogether, is, that these records cannot possibly be placed before A.D. 900. They may belong to any later period But, on the whole, I should say that the characters are of the eleventh century, and that the kings mentioned in them are to be placed somewhere between A.D. 1000 and 1100.

The paleographic considerations compel us to discard a somewhat tempting identification which was made by General Sir Alexander Cunningham, and the adoption of which was contemplated by myself before I came to look fully into the matter. A copper-plate grant from Râjim in the Râypur District, Central Provinces (Gupta Inscriptions, p. 291), gives us the names of Indrabala, of the Pânduvamsa or race of Pându, - his son Nannadêva, - and Nannadêva's adopted son, the Raja Tîvaradêva or Mahâsiva-Tîvararâja, a feudatory prince of the Kôsala country. An inscription at Sirpur in the same district (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 179), which supplies the name of Indrabala's father, Udayana, and tells us that he was of the lineage of the Moon,— (to which the race of Pandu did belong),—carries the genealogy two steps further, through Chandragupta, son of Nannadêva, and through Chandragupta's son Harshagupta, to a prince named Bâlârjuna-Sivagupta, son of Harshagupta, who evidently held the feudatory government of the territory round Sirpur. And Sir Alexander Cunningham (Archæol. Surv. Ind. Vol. XVII. pp. 17, 85, 87) identified this Bâlârjuna-Sivagupta with Sivagupta, father of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I.; and also, accepting, like the other writers who have been mentioned above, the local annals, and failing, like them, to see that Janamėjaya and Yayâti were, not feudatories of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. and Mahâ-Sivagupta, but those persons themselves, he arrived, from the date which the local annals purport to give for Yayâti-Kêsari, at the dates of A.D. 319 or 325 for Indrabala,—A.D. 350 for Nannadêva,—A.D. 375 for Tîvaradêva and Chandragupta, - A.D. 400 for Harshagupta, - A.D. 425 for Sivagupta, - A.D. 450 for Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. and his supposed contemporary Janamêjaya,—and A.D. 475 for Mahâ-Sivagupta and his supposed contemporary Yayâti. The erroneous nature of the dates thus arrived at has already been shewn, so far as the Sivagupta of the present charters and his successors are concerned. We are dealing now only with the identification of the two Sivaguptas. It appeared to be a very plausible one; for, Mahâ-Bhavagupta I., and his son and grandson, also possessed the Kôsala country; and the absence of the prefix maha, and of a second fanciful name, in the designation of his father, seems to suggest that a sudden rise in the status of the family occurred just then, - in short, that Sivagupta, having been at first only a feudatory prince of Kosala like Tîvaradêva, subsequently became powerful enough to seize the paramount sovereignty of that country, and perhaps also of the Kalinga territories. But, though I fully agree with Professor Kielhorn (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. p. 179) that the Râjim grant is at any rate not older than A.D. 700, and that the Sirpur inscriptions may be placed in the eighth or ninth century, still, the paleographic evidence seems to render impossible the identification that was made by Sir Alexander Cunningham. Lithographs have been published of the edited inscription of Sivagupta, the son of Harshagupta, and of other records which mention him and his father (Archael. Surv. Ind. Vol. XVII. Plates xviii. A. and B., and xix. C.). The original records evidently have the p, m, y, sh, and s with only the half mâtrâ, throughout. The k is of the pointed type. And another feature stamps them as belonging to even an earlier period than that which may be established by these two characteristics; the m has, not only the half matra, but also the straight arm to the left, instead of the loop which appears in the present charters and in all the records which have been quoted above, from the Dêôgadh inscription of A.D. 862 onwards, and which is carried

¹ In the Gwâlior inscription of A.D. 875-76, indeed, the exact form of this feature is rather that of a solid button than of a loop with a hollow centre; but the type is the same.— In the lithographs of the Sirpur inscriptions, the mappears with the loop twice, in A. live 1 and B. line 12; but it seems tolerably certain that these instances are only mistakes made in preparing the hand-drawings from which the lithographs were made.

back even a century earlier by the Dighwâ-Dubaulî grant (Bengal) of the Mahârâja Mahândrapâla, of A.D. 761-62 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XV. p. 112, Plate; see, for instance, mahârâja, line 2, and dêvyâm=utpannah, line 4). The j and t, also, as presented in the Sirpur inscriptions, are much more antique than the forms which we have in the present charters. And, even if a somewhat earlier period, than that which I have arrived at, should be hereafter established for the Sivagupta and his successors of the present charters, the palæographic changes in so many details appear more than can possibly be covered by the lapse of a single generation.

The local annals of Orissa, mentioned in the preceding remarks, have been taken so seriously, and so much interest has been attached to the question of the identity of the Yavanas who are mentioned in them, that it is necessary to do more than simply dismiss them with only a broad statement of their general want of value, amply supported though it is in the case of Yayâti-Kêsari, and with the curt assertion, borne out though it is by at least one certain epigraphic instance, that the Yavanas are simply the Musalmans of Northern India of the period A.D. 1001, or later, and onwards. The alleged facts and dates recited in the annals have all been accepted as history or "the mile-stones of history" by Sir William Hunter in his Orissa (see, in particular, Vol. I., edition of 1872, chapter V. p. 198 ff.), from which the leading features have been reproduced in his article on Orissa in the Imperial Gazetteer of India, Vol. X. p. 428 ff.: 1 and, in the other matter, his conclusion was that by the name 'Yayana' the annals mean the Greeks; and his line of argument (Orissa, Vol. I. pp. 207 to 214) appears to have been,— the Epics and Purânas enumerate the Yavanas in the list of foreign or non-Aryan races on the western frontier of India; through their spirit of enterprise, which led them into various part of Asia, the Ionian Greeks became known at an early period to the Persians, of whose empire, in fact, one body of them formed a part; the name Ionian was, thus, well known to the Persians, and came to be applied by them to the whole Greek race; the appellation was made known to the Hindûs by the Persian expedition sent by Darins to the Indus in the sixth century B.C.; by the Hindus, the name "Iww would benaturally transliterated by 'Yôna,' which is the contracted form of 'Yavana;' from after the date of Alexander's expedition into the Panjab at the close of the fourth century B.C., the term 'Yayana,' in Hindû literature, applies unmistakably to the Greeks; the inroads of Alexander and Selencus left in the Panjab a residual element of these Greeks, which soon inevitably began to migrate southwards; their presence in the Gangetic valley is proved by a

List orissa was published twenty-two years ago. And the article on Orissa in the Imperial Gazetteer was last issued, in the second edition, eight years ago. I do not find any quotation of the alleged facts and dates of the annals of Orissa in The Indian Empirs, the new and revised edition of which was issued last year,—apparently because there was no occasion to quote details of that kind; but the results arrived at previously appear to be endorsed up to date by the remark (p. 220; in the chapter on the Greeks in India, and just after mention of the fact that the term Yavana originally applied to several non-Brâhmanical races, and especially to the Greeks) that "the Orissa chroniclers called the sea-invaders from the Bay of Bengal, Yavanas, and in later times the term was applied to the Musalmâns,"—to which is attached a reference, in a footnote, to Orissa, Vol. I. pp. 25, 85, and 209 to 232 (ed. 1872).—I am dealing, of course, only with the Yavanas of the annals of Orissa, who are quite distinct from the Greek-Yavanas.

For clear traces of Yavanas, sporadically, in Western and Southern India,—in Kâthiâwâd, in the Nâsik District, and at Dhênukâkaṭa (Amarâvatì),—see Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. pp. 194, 195.—Sir William Hunter (Orissa, Vol. L. p. 218) has quoted Dr. Bhau Daji as the authority for a list of seven Yavana princes who ruled in Central India from (it is supposed) the fifth century A.D. to about the ninth. These, however, are simply the Vâkâṭaḥa Mahârôjas of the Chammak and Siwanî charters (Gupta Inscriptions, pp. 235, 243) and the Ajaṇṭâ inscription (Archaol. Surv. West. Ind. Vol. IV. p. 124). The first of them was Vindhyasakti. This person was identified by Dr. Bhau Daji with the Kailakila-Yavana king Vindhyasakti of the Visāṇs-Purāṇa (Wilson's translation, Hall's edition, Vol. IV. p. 210). But there are absolutely no grounds for this identification.

statement of the grammarian Pâṇini, who, writing in [it is supposed] the second century B.C., and referring to occurrences which he himself might have seen, says that the Yavanas laid siege to Oudh and besieged the Mâdhyamikas; the Mâdhyamikas, who were Buddhists, were the people of the kingdom of Magadha or Behâr where Buddhism had become the royal religion under Aśĉka in the third century B.C.; and it was through this kingdom of Magadha or Behâr that the Greeks found their way into Orissa. But, like the Kongudésa-Rájākkaļ (see p. 170 f. above) and the Rájávali-kathe (see Ind. Ant. Vol. XXI. p. 157) for the province of Mysore in Western India, these annals are in reality absolutely worthless for any purposes of ancient history. And it is desirable to prove this, by shewing up the nature of the earlier part of them, and to put them out of court once and for good.

The annals open with the commencement of the Kali age, in B.C. 3101, or more properly B.C. 3102; and they give first the names of three well-known Puranic kings, Yudhishthira, Parikshit, and Janamêjaya, of the Pâṇḍu dynasty of Indraprastha or Delhi in the Sômavamsa or Lunar Race. These three persons are represented as reigning for 12, 731, and 551 years,—covering the period from B.C. 3101 to 1807. And all that need be said about them, is, that their names were taken from the Puranas. Then there are placed, Samkaradêva 3 (represented as reigning for 400 years), Gautamadêva (370 years), Mahêndradêva (215 years), Ishtadêva (134 years), Sêvakadêva (150 years), Vajradêva (117 years), Narasimhadêva (115 years), Mânakrishnadêva (122 years), and Bhôjadêva (127 years), covering the period from B.C. 1807 to 57; i.e. filling the vacuum up to the next chronological point, the commencement of the Vikrama era, for which the persons who concocted the annals had a definite name with which to make a fresh start. Here, the annals depart altogether from the Puranas, which mention none of the above names, and give a totally different line of descent, from Satânîka, son of Janamêjaya. And this, of course, might be taken as a point in favour of authenticity. But the impossible lengths of the reigns shew that, at the best, the details were not taken truly from any real historical records. And, while Šamkara, Gautama, Ishtadêva, Sêvaka, Vajra, Narasimha, and Mânakrishna may possibly be real rulers of later times, simply antedated for the sake of filling the gap, - (at the same time, since Mr. Stirling calls Sêvakadêva [B.C. 688 to 538] 'Shewak or Ashok Deo,' there seems to be here an anachronistic and otherwise mistaken reminiscence of the Maurya king Asôka of the third century B.C.),—the statements made in connection with the remaining two names expose clearly the purely fictitious nature of this part of the account. The reign of Bhôjadêva is made to cover the period B.C. 184 to 57: but the annals, endorsing a tradition which elsewhere also is sometimes connected with him, say (see Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV. p. 259) that his court was adorned by the presence of seven hundred and fifty eminent poets, the chief of whom was the celebrated Kâlidâsa; manifestly, therefore, he is the king Bhôja of Mâlwa, of literary tastes, for whom we have authentic dates ranging from A.D. 1021-22 to 1042-43 (see Ep. Ind. Vol. II. pp. 232, 233); and thus, though here an indisputably real name is given, it is antedated by about twelve centuries. A statement made in connection with the name of Mahêndradêva, is almost equally instructive: this person's

¹ But Varâhamihira places the Mâdhyamikas in the Madhyadêsa or middle country of India (just where we should expect, from their name, to find thêm), and allots the Magadha country and its people to the eastern division (see Ind. Ant. Vol. XXII. p. 183).

² I quote, throughout, the details given by Sir William Hunter in his Orissa, ed. 1872, Vol. II. Appendix VII., as the results given there evidently (see page 324 above, note 2) represent the better examination of the original records.

⁸ Called 'Sambar or Sancara Deo' by Mr. Stirling.

^{&#}x27; Called 'Ashti Deo' by the same.

^{*} Called 'Shewak or Ashok Deo' by the same.

⁶ Called 'Sarsankh' by the same.

⁷ Called 'Hansh, Hansha, Hans, and Hangsha Deo ' by the same.

⁸ Of course, I do not mean to say that this was the period of Kålidåsa also.

reign is made to cover the period B.C. 1037 to 822; but the annals say that he founded the city of Râjamahêndri, i.e. Râjamandri or Râjamahêndrapuram in the Gôdâvarî district, Madras Presidency; and, though there may have been a city on the spot in earlier times, still (see Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. pp. 94, 266) there can be but little doubt, if any, that the name Rajamahêndrapura was given to it by, or on account of, the Eastern Chalukya king Amma I., who had the biruda of Râja-Mahêndra, and whose period was A.D. 918 to 925: consequently, at the best, with the name of Mahêndradêva there is coupled the reminiscence of an event which took place some eighteen hundred years later. After Bhôjadêva there reigned, according to Mr. Stirling's version, Vikramâditya alone, and according to the other version Vikramâditya and his brother Sakâditya, for 135 years, from B.C. 57 to A.D. 78. The object of this statement is simply to fill the interval from the commencement of the Vikrama era (really in B.C. 58) to the commencement of the Saka era (really in A.D. 77). We know now (see Ind. Ant. Vol. XX. pp. 405, 409) that it was not till about the ninth century A.D. that the word vikrama began to be connected with the Vikrama era; that most probably the appellation 'Vikrama year or time' simply denotes the poets' 'war-time,' the autumn, and was transferred from the autumn to the whole year itself; that the era did not derive its present name from any real king Vikrama or Vikramâditya, synchronous with the initial point of it; and consequently, that this statement of the annals, though correct from the traditional point of view, is intrinsically as purely fictitious as the matter that precedes it. The period from A.D. 78 to 328 is filled by the reigns of Karmajit (65 years), 'Hatkêsvara' (51 years), Vîrabhuvana (43 years), Nirmaladêva (45 years), Bhîma (37 years), Sobhanadêva (4 years), and Chandradêva (5 years).1 Then, we are told, the Yavanas, who had invaded Orissa in the time of Sobhanadêva and had put Chandradêva to death, held the country for 146 years,—from A.D. 328 to 474. Then, the annals say, Yayâti-Kêsari expelled the Yavanas, and founded the Kêsari dynasty; he reigned for 52 years, and was succeeded by forty-three members of his dynasty, whose reigns varied from 2 to 54 years; and thus is filled the period from A.D. 474 to 1132. And then, it is said, a king from the south, named Chôdaganga, obtained the throne of Orissa and established the Gangavanisa dynasty,- he himself reigning for 20 years, from A.D. 1132 to 1152. Except in the cases of Yayâti-Kêsari and Janamêjaya-Kêsari, from Karmajit (A.D. 78 to 143) to Suvarna-Kêsari, the last of the Kêsari dynasty (A.D. 1123 to 1132), the names are so utterly unknown that they do not present material for individual criticism of the same kind: in respect of most of them, it can only be said that the terminations aditya and varman, or any of the other endings which were so much affected in early times, do not occur anywhere among them, and that not one of them has any ring of antiquity in the sound of it: they may possibly be real names of later rulers, misplaced in order to make out a consecutive chronological series; this, however, is the utmost that can be said for them. But I would draw special attention to the names of Narasimha-Kêsari, Kûrma-Kêsari, Matsya-Kêsari, Varâha-Kêsari, Vâmana-Kêsari, and Paraśu-Kêsari, which are placed one after the other in the period A.D. 1013 to 1080: in respect of these, nothing could be plainer than the evident fact that the inventive faculty and other resources of the persons who concocted the annals failed them, and that they here drew on the incarnations of Vishnu as the man-lion, the tortoise, the fish, the boar, and the dwarf, and as Parasurama, the destroyer of the Kshatriyas. Other clear indications of a recourse to mythology present themselves in the names of Padma-Kêsari (A.D. 701 to 706), Gandharva-Kêsari (A.D. 740 to 754), Kali-Kêsari (A.D. 778 to 792), Madhusûdana-Kêsari (A.D. 904 to 920), and Tripura-Kêsari (A.D. 961 to 971). And the name of Alabu-Kêsari (A.D. 623 to 677) distinctly suggests a Musalman with some such appellation as 'Alap Khan.' But the cases of Yayati-Kêsari and Janamêjaya-Kêsari are, even alone, amply sufficient to upset the whole list.

^{*} Carled 'Indra Deo ' by Mr St. " 2

As we have already seen, Yayâti-Kêsari, representing Yayâti-Mahâ-Śivagupta, is mistakenly described as the first of his dynasty, and is placed at least five centuries before the earliest date to which he can possibly belong; and Janamêjaya-Kêsari, representing his father and predecessor Janamejaya-Maha-Bhavagupta I., is placed nearly three centuries after him, in the period A.D. 754 to 763. Chôdaganga (A.D. 1132 to 1152) is possibly a historical person, placed not very far from the period to which he really belonged; he may be identified with Anantavarma-Chôdagangadêva of the family of the later Eastern Gangas, lords of Trikalinga or the three Kalingas, who was anointed to the succession in A.D. 1078, and for whom we have also the date of A.D. 1118-19 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVIII. pp. 162, 166): one of the records of this king tells us that he replaced the fallen lord of Utkala, i.e. Orissa, in his kingdom (ibid. p. 171); and he seems, therefore, to have played some important part in the local history. But all that precedes, resolves itself into simply this: - The object in view was the magnifying of the antiquity and importance of the temple of Jagannatha at Puri, and of all its surroundings and connections. The persons who set about doing this, by concocting the annals, could not well go back to before the commencement of the Kaliyuga,—the present age. But they felt bound to go back as far as that point. And they had before them two other well-known epochs,— the initial points of the Vikrama and the Saka eras, - and, apparently, the date, not much displaced, of a fairly recent king. Anantavarma-Chôdagangadêva.1 They thus had three periods to fill up with names,-B.C. 3102 or 3101 to B.C. 58 or 57; B.C. 58 or 57 to A.D. 77 or 78; and A.D. 77 or 78 to A.D. 1100 or thereabouts. The last of these periods, being the best filled one, seems to have been taken in hand by them first; and,—except for the alleged occupation by the Yavanas for a hundred and forty-six years, from A.D. 328 to 474, as regards the real meaning of which see further on, - they filled it, partly with a few names which are obviously inventions, and partly with a number of names, connected mostly with reigns of reasonable and admissible duration. which present no appearance of antiquity and cannot by any means be accepted for the period to which they are allotted, but may very possibly be names of real rulers of later date, - say of the twelfth century and onwards, - probably many of them petty princes contemporaneous with each other. But the accounts for this period do not even agree with each other; for (see page 340 below), another compilation makes the Kesari dynasty begin in B.C. 144 or 132 and end in A.D. 553 or 565,- places next an isolated king of the 'Chourang dynasty' named 'Udi Patchourang,' who reigned for ninety years, and then a line of kings belonging to the Solar Race, which lasted till A.D. 1324,—and makes the Gangavamsa dynasty begin only then. The interval from the commencement of the Vikrama era to the commencement of the Saka era was accounted for in the customary traditional manner, with the reigns of a purely fictitious king Vikramaditya and his brother Sakaditya. On the earliest period, less trouble was expended. The list was opened with three well-known Puranic names, which were made to account for 1,294 years; and it was imperfectly eked out with only nine names, which were made to fill the remaining 1,750 years with reigns of almost equally fabulous duration: of these nine names, seven may possibly, like some of the names of the third period, be real names of rulers of the twelfth century and onwards, or, as already suggested, one of these seven may contain an anachronistic and otherwise erroneous reminiscence of the great Buddhist king Asôka; but one, that of Mahêndradêva, seems to be a pure invention, to account for the name of a city which is to be allotted to a period about eighteen centuries later; and the ninth, that of Bhojadêva, is the name of a real king antedated by about twelve centuries. In the whole account, from B.C. 3101 up to the mention of Chôdaganga with the date of A.D. 1132 to 1152, the only historical gleams which can be detected are that (1) the opening of the list

¹ It is not made clear whether the dates A.D., allotted to the various kings who are mentioned in the annals, are taken from Saka dates put forward for each king, or are simply worked out from the lengths of the reigns. If the latter is the case, the initial date for the Chôdaganga of the annals could easily be made to coincide exactly with the date of the coronation of Anantavarma-Chôdagangadêva.

with three Purânic kings of the Lunar Race, to which race the copper-plate charters refer Śivagupta and his successors, suggests a knowledge of the fact that there really had been kings of Orissa who claimed to belong to that lineage; (2) there certainly is preserved a reminiscence, but a completely erroneous and anachronistic one, of two of those real kings, Janamêjaya-Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. and Yayâti-Mahâ-Śivagupta; and (3) the alleged occupation by the Yavanas for a hundred and forty-six years, from A.D. 328 to 474, plainly embodies a vague memory of the Early Gupta kings, for whom, as far as their unbroken lineal succession goes, we have dates (see Gupta Inscriptions, Introd. p. 17) ranging from the year 82 to the year 147 or 149 of an era commencing A.D. 320, and whose power, extending from Kâthiâwâd right across India to Lower Bengal, formed a barrier between Orissa or any part of Southern India and the Yavanas of that period, viz. the Indo-Scythians of the Panjâb. And, with such results as these before us, it is evident that everything relating to ancient times, which has been written on the unsupported authority of these annals, has to be expunged bodily from the pages of history.

It only remains to say a few more precise words about the 'Yavanas' who are mentioned in these annals: it is obvious that, whoever they may be, no real history connected with them is preserved in the annals; but it is also as well to shew clearly who they really were. They are first brought to notice in connection with Vajradeva (allotted to the period B.C. 538 to 421), in whose reign, we are told, they invaded Orissa from Mârwâr, Delhi, 'Babul Dês' (supposed to be Îrân, i.e. Persia, and so explained to Mr. Stirling), and Kâbul, but were repulsed; and, Mr. Stirling says (Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV. p. 258), "then follows an incomprehensible story, "involving some strange anachronism, about Imarût or Himarat Khân, who comes from Delhi "with a large army and attacks the Raja." They are not specifically named in connection with Narasimhadêva (B.C. 421 to 306; he is called 'Sarsankh Deo' by Mr. Stirling); but they seem to be meant in the statement that "another chief from the far north invaded the country "during this reign, but he was defeated, and the Orissa prince reduced a great part of the Delhi "kingdom" (Orissa, Vol. II. Appendix VII. p. 184),—or, as Mr. Stirling says, "Sarsankh Deo, "a warlike prince, is attacked by another Khân, whose name is variously written, and is always "so incorrectly spelt that it is impossible to unravel it; the Râja defeats the invader, and, "emboldened by his success, advances upon Delhi, and reduces a great part of the country." In the time of Mânakrishņadêva (B.C. 306 to 184; he is called 'Hans or Hangsha Deo' by Mr. Stirling), the Yavanas again invaded the country, - from Kashmîr, - but were driven back after many battles. Bhôjadêva also (B.C. 184 to 57) is said to have repulsed a Yavana invasion, from Sindh, according to Mr. Stirling's account. And finally, in the time of Sôbhanadêva (A.D. 319 to 323) the Yavanas invaded Orissa by sea, under the leadership of a person named Raktabâhu, i.e. 'Red-arm' or 'Bloody-arm,' and on this occasion with success : the Yavana force, indeed, after effecting a landing and plundering the town of Puri, was overwhelmed by the sea; but the Yavanas remained masters of the country; Śôbhanadêva, who had fled before their approach, died in the jungles; his nominal successor, Chandradêva, was put to death by them in A.D. 328; and so they held the country until they were driven out from it by Yayâti-Kêsari in A.D. 474. Sir William Hunter admitted this last story so fully as to remark that, ' while the very fact of this invasion having been made by way of the sea would suggest a doubt 'as to whether the invaders were ordinary Hindûs,- the idea of braving the ocean in armed 'galleys, in order to descend on a province which could easily be reached by dry land, being 'repugnant alike to the Hindû genius and the Brahmanical faith,'-"it formed an adventure "exactly suited to the imagination of the Asiatic Greek; it was Alexander's sail down the

The commencement of the Yavana occupation might perhaps (see the preceding note) be brought to exactly A. D. 320.

In the Gupta records, however, they are called Sakas (Gupta Inscriptions, p. 14); the name 'Yavana' does not occur.

"Indus reproduced upon the Ganges, with the continuation of Nearchus' exploratory armament "along the coast to the west of the river mouth" (Orissa, Vol. I. p. 216). And it seems to have been magnified somewhere else into a whole series of attacks by sea-pirates, continued during the seventh, eighth, and ninth centuries A.D.1 But, as far as the published accounts go, the annals contain no mention of the Yavanas after the supposed time of Yayâti-Kêsari. The story of Raktabâhu is the only one that includes an attack by way of the sea. And there is no doubt, whether an invasion was really made by sea or not, that it simply embodies the conquest of Orissa by the Musalmans in the thirteenth century A.D., mixed up with the vague memory of the Early Gupta kings. That the Yavanas of the period A.D. 328 to 474 can be none but the Early Guptas, we have already seen. The Yavanas of the next preceding mention (allotted to B.C. 184 to 57) are indisputably the Musalmans: Bhôjadêva of Mâlwa, who is really the king who is thus antedated by about twelve centuries (real dates, A.D. 1021-22 and 1042-43), may easily have come in hostile contact with Mahmûd of Ghaznî, who in A.D. 1022 and 1023 penetrated as far as the territories of Kâliñjar in Bundêlkhand, and in A.D. 1024 invaded Gujarât; and, in fact, the Udêpur prasasti claims that Bhôjadêva conquered the Turushkas, i.e. the Musalmans (Ep. Ind. Vol. I. pp. 230, 231, 238): but there is no other foreign power with which he can have come in collision. And this being so clear, I will quote here certain facts which make it, if possible, still more evident that the term Yavana, as used in the annals, was intended to denote the Musalmans: as already stated (page 326 above, note 3), in the Chitorgadh inscription of A.D. 1428 or 1429, Fîrûz Shâh or Fîrûz-ud-dîn Taghlaq, king of Delhi (A.D. 1351 to 1388), is called "the Yavana king Pêrôja" (Ep. Ind. Vol. II. p. 410); Sir William Hunter has mentioned an inscription of A.D. 1516, in Orissa, which "applies the word distinctively to the Muhammadans" (Orissa, Vol. I. p. 224), and has also told us that "in the modern vernaculars it signifies Arabian, Turkish, or Mughul" (ibid.); and Mr. Stirling tells us that the Pandits whom he employed to translate the materials that he used, always rendered 'Yavana' by 'Moghal' (Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV. p. 259). To revert to the annals,—the statements about the city of Delhi and certain Khans, made in connection with Vajradêva (allotted to B.C. 538 to 421) and Narasimhadêva (B.C. 421 to 306), point distinctly, not only to Musalmans, but to Musalmans established at Delhi; and the Musalmans did not permanently advance as far as Delhi till A.D. 1193, when Shihâb-ud-dîn Muḥammad Ghôrî conquered the whole of the Panjab and a good deal more of Northern India. It was this conquest which paved the way for the conquest of Orissa. Bakhtiyar Khiljî, a general of Muhammad Ghôrî or of his viceroy Qutb-ud-dîn, invaded Bengal and conquered it in A.D. 1203. There was thus established in Bengal a branch of the Musalman power, which from A.D. 1212 onwards made constant raids into Orissa, with more or less success, but without any permanent results. And finally, in A.D. 1567-68 Sulaiman, king of Bengal, attacked and defeated the last independent king of Orissa, and practically subjugated the province. It seems to me that the name of Raktabâhu,--- a perfectly correct Sanskrit word, but one which is most improbable, if not absolutely inadmissible, as a historical name, - is a perversion of the first name of Bakhtiyar Khiliî; and that the name of 'Imarût or Himarat Khân,' which is connected with the Yavanas whom Vajradêva is said to have repulsed, may enable us hereafter to locate exactly the invasion which is allotted to the period B.C. 538 to 421. But, however the case may be on these two points, there can be no substantial doubt that the Yavana invasions which were repulsed. so the annals say, by Vajradêva and his successors, and the successful invasion by the Yavanas in the time of Śôbhanadêva, are (mixed up with the Early Gupta rule) simply the raids into Orissa by the Musalmans in the thirteenth and following centuries, and the ultimate conquest of the country by them in the sixteenth century, A. D.

¹ See Ind. Ast. Vol. XVII. p. 60, where Mr. Howorth has suggested that the pirates in question may have been Malays from Java.

After what has been shewn above as to the valueless nature of their contents, there is, perhaps, not much to be gained from any consideration of the time when the annals may have been commenced. Still, a few words on this point may be not amiss. Of the two vamsávalis used by Mr. Stirling for his article in the Asiatic Researches, Vol. XV., one was obtained from a Brâhman of Purî, and the other from a Brâhman living in the family of the Råja of 'Puttia Sarengerh,'--" one of the branches of the royal house of Orissa." In respect of the former, he was told that it was originally composed by some of that Brahman's ancestors, three or four centuries ago, and had been continued up to date (loc. cit. p. 256). No information is given as to the time when the compilation of the second vamsavali may have been started; but there can be no reasons for attributing real antiquity to this, any more than to the other. The Mådlå-Pånji pretends to greater age. According to the article in the Asiatic Researches, the compilation of it was commenced in the time of 'Chûrang' or 'Sarang Deo' (loc. cit. p. 268); i.e. in the time of Chôdaganga, or, according to the annals themselves, in the period A.D. 1132 to 1152. And another compilation, or a different recension of the annals, would invest it with even much greater antiquity: the Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. VI. (1837) p. 756 ff., contains another account of the kings of Orissa, taken from a manuscript by Mr. Stirling, found after his death, in respect of which we are told that it is the source whence the materials for his article in the Asiatic Researches was taken, but which really gives a very different account, both in names and in dates; according to this compilation, the Kêsari dynasty was established by Chandra-Kêsari,— Yayâti-Kêsari being here represented as the second king of that line, - in B.C. 144 or 132, and lasted till A.D. 553 or 565; then came 'Udi Patchourang' of the 'Chourang' dynasty, reigning for ninety years, from A.D. 553 or 565; and he started the compilation of the Madla-Panji, - in the period, thus made out, A.D. 553 to 643, or 565 to 655. This is altogether incredible. The period A.D. 1132 to 1152 is, perhaps, a possible one; though not very probable, -- because the statements which follow the mention of Chôdaganga are not suggestive of any true history having been preserved even from that point. But this much is certain, -- whatever may be the date when the compilation of the annals was commenced, the stories about the Yavanas shew that they cannot have been finally reduced to their present form till the sixteenth century A.D. Sir William Hunter has said (Orissa, Vol. I. p. 286) that the vamsávali on which Mr. Stirling's posthumous article was based, is "a subsequently compiled list." But, as far as the published account goes, it makes no mention at all of the Yavanas; unless this expression is used in the original where in Mr. Stirling's rendering we have 'Musalmân' and 'Moghal,'- in the account of Têlinga-Mukundadêva (A.D. 1512 to 1534, or thereabouts) and onwards. And if this be the case, it seems rather to be a rudimentary compilation, of earlier date, from which the fuller annals were afterwards elaborated.

A .- Paṭṇâ Copper-plate Grant of the sixth year of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I.

This record was originally brought to notice in 1877, in the Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XLVI. Part I. p. 173 ff., by Babu Pratapachandra Ghosha, according to whose account the plates were found buried in an earthen vessel somewhere in the Native State of Paṭṇā, attached

¹ He mentions also numerons other vainsávalis, possessed by almost every almanac-maker in the province (loc. cit. p. 257). But, while claiming that "occasionally a few facts or illustrations may be gleaned from them," he says that they "in general abound with errors and inconsistencies," and he stamped them as "less certain and trustworthy guides."

² According to whether Yudhishthira is allotted a reign of twelve years in the Kali age, or not. The article simply says—"On the death of Råja Yudhishthira, the period of the Kaliyuga obtained complete prevalence." — Sir William Hunter (Orissa, Vol. I. p. 286) has taken the dates of B.C. 132 to A.D. 655 for the duration of the Kêsari dynasty according to this compilation; but he has wrongly included the ninety years reign of the isolated king 'Udi Patchourang,' of the 'Chourang' dynasty, who came between the last of the Kêsaris and the first of the Sûryavamsa dynasty.

to the Sambalpur District, Central Provinces. I re-edit it from the original plates, which I examined in 1884; they were then in the collection of the Bengal Asiatic Society, having been presented by Captain M. M. Bowie, Deputy Commissioner of Sambalpur.

The plates are three in number, each measuring about $9\frac{5}{8}''$ by 5" at the ends and somewhat less in the middle. They are quite smooth; the edges of them having been neither fashioned thicker, nor raised into rims. The inscription, however, is in a state of perfect preservation throughout.— The ring, on which the plates are strung, is about \(\frac{1}{2}'' \) thick, and \(4\frac{1}{2}'' \) in diameter. It had not been cut when the grant came under my notice. The seal, in which the ends of the ring are secured, is circular, about 13" in diameter. In relief on a countersunk surface it shews, very indistinctly,- in the centre, some seated figure, perhaps of the goddess Lakshmî with her elephants, as on the seal of C.; and, on each side, apparently a chauri: if there was ever a legend below this, it is now quite illegible; but it seems more likely that there was only a floral device.— The weight of the three plates is 7 lbs. 4 oz., and of the ring and seal, 1 lb. 4 oz.; total, 8 lbs. 8 oz.— The characters are Nâgarî, of the northern class. They include forms of the decimal figures 6 and 8, in line 41. The virâma does not occur in this record; final forms occur, of t in katakât, line 1, vasét, line 27, dadyât, line 29, and samvat, 1. 41,— of n in âdîn and sarvván, line 6,—and of m, resembling an anusvára with a viráma below it, in oártham, line 19. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{15}{10}$. The engraving is good and deep; but, the plates being substantial, the letters do not show through on the reverse sides. The interiors of the letters shew, as usual, marks of the working of the engraver's tool. The way in which the surface of the plates, being evidently rather soft, was pressed up inside of and around the letters in the process of engraving, has rendered it impossible to obtain impressions giving an absolutely clear lithograph throughout; especially in Plates ii. a and b, and iii. a.— The language is Sanskrit. And, except for the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses in lines 24 to 39 and one ordinary verse at the end, the whole record is in prose. The rules of samdhi are neglected in several places. In respect of orthography, the only points that call for special notice are (1) the use of the guttural nasal n, instead of the anusvāra, in vanša and vanši, line 45; and (2) the use of v for b, throughout. There are many cases in which the long vowel \hat{u} has been given by mistake for the short u; but this seems a matter of carelessness, rather than of orthography.

The inscription is one of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I., otherwise called Janamêjaya. The charter contained in it was issued from the city of Kaṭaka,¹ which is evidently the modern Kaṭak or 'Cuttack,' the chief town of the Cuttack District in Orissa, while the king was in residence at Mûrasîma, which seems to have been some place on the outskirts of the city.³ And the object of it was to register a grant, to some Brâhmans, of a village named Vakaveḍḍâ, in the Oṅgâṭaṭa vishaya or district on the bank of the river Oṅgâ. The charter was written by a clerk in the office of a son of the Mahâsamdhivigrahin Mallâdhâradatta, on Âshâḍha śukla 8 in the sixth year of the reign of Janamêjaya, i.e. of Mahâ-Bhavagupṭa I. And the record ends with a verse in praise of the king under the name of Janamêjaya.

TEXT.3

First Plate.

1 Ôm⁴ Svasti Mûrasîma-samâvâsita[ḥ*] śrîmatô vijaya-Kaţakât paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhi-

¹ The words vijaya-katakat, line 1, might be rendered by simply "from the victorious town or camp." But the locality from which these records come, seems to indicate plainly that kataka is here the place-name.

² So, also, B., C., and D. were issued by Mahâ-Bhavagupta I., from Kaṭaka, while he was in residence in the drama or 'pleasure-garden.'

[•] From the original plates.

Represented by a plain symbol.

- 2 råja-paramêśvara-śrî-Śivagû(gu)ptadêva-pâd-ânu d h y â t a p a r a m a m â h ê ś v a r a paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâ-
- 3 jâdhirâja-paramêśvara-Sômakulatilaka-tri(tri)Kalingâdhipati-śrî-Mahâ-Bhavaguptarâjadê-
- 4 vah || 1 kûshalî 2 | 3 Ongâtața-vishaya-prativa(ba)ddha-Vakaveddâ-grâmê tatpratinivâsi-kuṭumvi(mbi)-janapadâm-
- 5 s=tad-vishayîya-yathâkâl-âdhyâsinah samâhartri-sannidhâtri-châṭa-bhaṭa-piśuna-dhâ(vê)trik-â-
- 6 varôdhajana-râjavallabh-âdîn sarvvân râja-pâd-ôpajîvinah samâjñâpayati [|*] Vidi-
- 7 tam=astu bhavatâm | yath=âsmâbhir=ayam grâmah sa-nidhih s-ôpanidhih sarvva-vâ(bâ)dhâ-viva[r*]jjitah |
- 8 sarvv-ôparikarakar⁴-âdâna-sahitaḥ s-âmra-madhukaḥ sa-gartt-ôsharaḥ | prasiddha-chatuḥ-si(sî)m-â-
- 9 chachchhinvaḥ⁵ | pratinishiddha-châṭa-bhaṭa-pravêśaḥ nânâ-gôtra-pravara-vinirgatavâstavyê-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 10 bhyô dvijâti-varêbhyaḥ êka[ḥ*] Kauchchha(tsa)-gôtraḥ Aṅgirasa-Varsha
 Yô(yau)vanâśva-pravaraḥ Yûvanaśvad-Amyarisha-
- 11 d-Angira⁷-anupravarah Sâma-vêdê Kauth[u*]ma-śâkh-âdhyâyî **Pampâsarasi(sî)-**vinirgata[h*] Lêiśṛiṅgâ-vâ-
- 12 stavya[h*] bhatṭaputra-Dâmâkaḥ Aivuli-sû(su)taḥ [l*] dvitîyô Gautu(ta)magôtraḥ A(â)ngirasa-pravaraḥ Vârhaspaty-ânu-
- 13 pravara[ḥ*] Yaju[r*]-vvêdê Kâṇva-śâkhê(khî) Oḍayaśṛiṅgâ-vinirgata[ḥ*]
 Khaṇḍakshêtra-vâstavya[ḥ*] bhaṭṭaputrô Nârapagaṇḍa-sû(su)ta[ḥ*] [|*]
 triti(tî)ya-
- 14 ś=cha Kṛish[ṇ*]âtrêya-gôtraḥ A(â)rchchanânaśa(sa)-pravaraḥ Śyâvâśvana(vad)-anupravaraḥ Yajur-vvêd[ê*] Kâṇva-śâkh-â-
- 15 dhyâyî Konkaledda-vinirggata[h*] Lipatungâ-vâstavya[h*] bhaṭṭaputra-Vâsû(su)dêvah Riśi(Hṛishi)kêśa-sû(su)-
- 16 taḥ [|*] chatu[r*]thaś=cha | 8 Agasti-gôtraḥ | 9 Îdhmavâhava¹0-pravaraḥ Chyav[an*]-ânupravarah cha¹¹ Yaju[r*]-vvôdê
- 17 Kânva-sâkh-âdhyâî(yî) châ¹⁹ Kalinga-vinirgatah ||13 Pampâsarasi(sî)-vâ-
- 18 stavyah Koṇḍadêva-nâm[â*] Râmaŝa[r*]mma-sû(su)taḥ [|*] êtêbhyô dvijâti-varêbhyah salila-dhârâ-
- 19 pû(pu)raḥsaram=â-chandra-târa[k-â*]rkka-kshiti-samakâl-ôpabhê (bhô)g-ârtham prativarsha-dâtavya-ru(rû)pya-kâshṭa(shṭha)-pala-
- 20 kara-dâna[m³] vinischitya mâtâpitrôr=âtmanas=cha puṇya-yasô-bhivṛiddhayê tâmra-sâsanên=â-

Second Plate: Second Side.

21 kari(rî)kritya pratipâdita î(i)ty=avagatya samû(mu)chita-bhô[g-âr*]tham mâtâpitrôr=14 âtmanaś=cha puṇya-yaśô-bhi-

- 1 This mark of punctuation is unnecessary. 2 Read kséalt.
- This mark of punctuation is unnecessary . 4 Read of parikakaro. 5 Read of rachchhinnah.
- 5 Read Angiras-Ambarisha -.
- 7 Read Yuvandivavad-Ambartshavad-Angirovado; and compare page 45 above, note 6.
- s and These marks of punctuation are unnecessary.
- » Read Idhmavaha°.
- 11 and 15 These aksharas are superfluous.

 13 This mark of punctuation is unnecessary,
- ** From here, to avagatya in the next line, there is an unnecessary repetition. The immediately preceding word, samuchita-bho [g-dr*]tham, was a mistake, and carelessness about correcting this led to the repetition.

10 निर्श्वाचित्र श्राप्ट के स्वार है जिस्से के स्वार के स्वर के स्वार के स

ii a

22 ब्रिया प्रिक्ति विश्व विश्

iii a

अत् मं वामस्य स्वाधासपात्तां प्रमाणात्तां स्वाधानां स्व

iii b

* विश्वितिशिव श्रम्या दोक् विरुद्धा मा अस्ति स्मार्ट्या विश्वित्ति स्मार्ट्या सम्बद्धा सम्य सम्बद्धा सम्य सम्बद्धा सम्बद्धा सम्बद्धा सम्बद्धा सम्बद्धा सम्बद्धा सम्बद्धा

- 22 vriddhayê tâmra-sâsanên=âkarîkritya pratipâdita ity=avagatya samuchita-bhôga-bhâga-kara-hira-
- 23 ny-âdikam-upanayadbhir-bhavadbhih sû(su)khêna prativastavyam-iti [|*] bhâvibhis-cha bhûpatibhir-ddattir-iyam-asma-
- 24 dîyâ dharmma-gauravâd-asmad-atu(nu)rôdhâch-cha sva-dattir-iv-âtu(nu)pâlanîyâ [||*] Tathâ ch-ôktam dharmma-sâstrê [|*] Va(ba)hubhi-
- 25 r¹=vvasû(su)dhâ dattâ râjabhih Sagar-âdibhi[h*] yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis= tasya tasya tadâ phalam || Mâ bhu(bhû)d=aphala-
- 26 śańkâ vah para-datt-êti pârthivâh sva-dânât-phalam-ânantya(ndya)m para-datt-ânupâlanê || Shashți-varsha-sa-
- 27 hasrâni svarggê môdati bhûmi-daḥ âkshêptâ ch-ânû(nu)mantâ cha tâny-êva narakê vasêt ||
- 28 Agnêr³=apatya[m˙*] prathamam suvarnna[m˙*] bhûr=Vvôshnavi³ sûrya-sutâś=cha gâvah yah kâncha(ñcha)nam gân(ñ)=cha mahî-
- 29 n(n)=cha dadyât dattâs=trayas=têna bhavanti lôkê(kâḥ) [11*] Âsphôṭayanti*
 pitarah pravalgayanti⁵ pi-
- 30 tâmahâ[ḥ*] bhûmi-dâtâ kûla6 jâtâ(ta)ḥ sa nas=trâtâ bhavishyati || Bhûmi[m*] yaḥ pratigṛihṇâti yaś=cha
- 31 bhûmim prayachchhati | ubhau tau puṇya-karmmāṇau niyatam svarggagâminau || Taḍâgânām saha-
- 32 srâṇi vâjapêya-śatâni cha | gavâm kôṭi-pradânêna bhûmi-ha[r*]ttâ na śû(śu)dhyati || Haratê hâ-

Third Plate; First Side.

- 33 rayatê7 yas=tu manda.vu(bu)ddhiḥ tamô-vritaḥ sa va(ba)ddhô Vâruṇaiḥ pâśais=tîryagyônîṇ8=cha gachchhati ||
- 34 Sva-dattâm para-dattâm=vâ yô harêti(ta) vasû(su)ndharâm sa vishthâyâm kṛimi[r*]=bhûtvâ pitribhih saha pachyatê |(||)
- 35 Âdityô Varuṇô Vishṇur=Va(bra)hmâ sômô hutâśanaḥ Śûlapâṇiś=cha bhagaṁvâr⁹=abhinanda-
- 36 nti bhûmi-dam |(||) Sâmânyô¹⁰=yam dharmma-sêtn[r*]=nṛipâṇâm kâlê-kâlê pâlani(nî)yô bhavadbhiḥ sarvvâ-
- 37 n=êtân bhâvinaḥ pârthivêndrâm(n) | 11 bhûyô-bhûyô yâchatê Râmachandraḥ | 1 Iti¹³ kamala-dal-âmvu(mbu)-vindû(ndu)-
- 38 lôlâ[m*] śriyam=amu(nu)chintya manushya-jivitan¹³=cha | sakalam=idarm(m)= ndâhritan(n)=cha vudhvâ¹⁴
- 39 na hi pû(pu)rushaih para-ki(kî)rttayô vilôpyâ iti [||*] Paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramê-
- 40 _{śvara-śri-}Janamêjayadêvasya vijaya-râjyê samvachchha(tsa)rê shashthêh¹⁵ Âshâdha-masê sita-pakshê t[i*]-
- 41 thâv-ashṭamyām yatr-ankatô-pi samvat 6 A(a)shadha sudi 8 likhitam-idam śāsanam mahāsā(sa)ndhivi-

¹ Metre: Ślóka (Anushtubh); and in the next two verses.

² Metre: Indravajrå.

⁴ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh); and in the next five verses,

[·] Read kulé.

⁸ Read tiryagyonin.

¹⁰ Metre : Sålini.

B Metre : Pushpitagra.

¹⁸ Read buddhod.

Bead "Vaishnart.

⁵ Read pravalganti.

⁷ Read háravět.

Read bhagavan.

¹¹ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

¹ Read 'fivitan.

¹⁶ Read shashihi.

prakhyáta-dvési(sbi)-vansa-pravidalana-

- 42 grahi-śrî-Mallâdhâradatta-sû(su)ta-prativa(ba)ddha-k â y a s t h a K ô i g h ô s h ê n a
 Vallabhaghôsha-sû(su)tén=êti |(||)
- 43 Asti¹ kshônîśvarânâm=amala-mani-ruchâm=anvayat² kaustubh-âbhah śaurya-tyâgâmvu(mbu)râśi-

Third Plate: Second Side.

- 44 r=virachita-vidhivad-dâna-śubhrîkṛit-âbhraḥ śrîmân=Jammējay³-âkhyas=Tṛi(tri)daśa-pati-samah
- 45 kṛichchha(tsna)-gâṁ bhôktu-kâmaḥ paṭû⁴=bhûpatiḥ **Sômavaṅśi(ṅśì)** ||

ABSTRACT OF CONTENTS.

From the victorious (city of) Kataka (line 1),—the most devout worshipper of (the god) Mahêsyara (Śiva), the Paramabhattaraka, Maharajadhiraja, and Paramesvara, the ornament of the Sômakula, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Mahâ-Bhavaguptarâjadêva (I.) (1, 3), who meditates on the feet of the Paramabhattaraka, Maharajadhiraja, and Parameswara. the glorious Sivaguptadêva (l. 2), being in residence at Mûrasîma (l. 1), and being in good health (1.4), issues a command to the agriculturists residing at the village of Vakaveddå in the Ongatata vishaya (l. 4), and to the inhabitants of the district and to all the officials and servants of the king, to the effect that the village in question has been given by him, by this charter, to four Brâhmans, vis. to Dâmâka (l. 12), son of Aivuli, belonging to the Kautsa gôtra, with the pravara of Angirasa, Ambarîsha, and Yauvanâsva, and the anupravara of Yuvanâsva, Ambarîsha, and Angiras, a student of the Kauthuma śákhá in the Sama-Véda, an immigrant from Pampasarasi (l. 11), and a resident of Leiśringa,-to an unnamed son of Nârapaganda (l. 13), belonging to the Gantama gôtra, with the pravara of Ângirasa and the anupravara of Bârhaspatya, a student of the Kânva śâkhâ in the Yajur-Vêda, an immigrant from Odayaśringâ (l. 13), and a resident of Khandakshêtra,—to Vâsudêva (l. 15), son of Hṛishîkêsa, of the Kṛishnâtrêya gôtra, with the pravara of Ârchanânasa and the anupravara of Śyâvâśva, a student of the Kâṇva śâkhâ in the Yajur-Vêda, an immigrant from Konkaledda (1. 15), and a resident of Lipatunga, - and to Kondadêva (1. 18), son of Râmasarman, of the Agasti gôtra, with the pravara of Idhmavâha and the anupravara of Chyavana, a student of the Kânva śákhá in the Yajur-Véda, an immigrant from Kalinga (l. 17), and a resident of Pampasarasî.

Lines 22 to 39 are occupied with the usual mandate to future kings to continue the grant, and with benedictive and imprecatory verses about the merit of preserving grants and the sin of confiscating them.

Lines 39 to 42 tell us that the charter was written by the Kâyastha Kôighôsha, son of Vallabhaghôsha, who belonged to (the office of) the son of the Mahâsamdhivigrahin Mallâdhâradatta, on the eighth tithi in the bright fortnight of the month Âshâdha in the sixth year of the victorious reign of the Paramabhaṭṭâraka, Mahârâjâdhirâja, and Paramâśvara, the glorious Janamêjayadêva. And the record ends with a verse in praise of king Janamêjaya, of the Sômavamśa or Lunar Race.

¹ Metre: Sragdharâ. ² Read anvayê. ³ This is by metrical license for Janamêjay. ⁴ Read paţur. ⁵ One might be tempted to insert a mark of punctuation before likhitam, line 41, and to take the date as the date on which the grant was made, and not necessarily connected with the writing of the charter. But the grant recorded in F. was made on the occasion of an eclipse of the sun (line 42); and therefore the date given at the end of that record, Mârga śukla 3, was plainly the date of the writing of the charter, though it is not there so stated at all. Accordingly, it seems that the dates given all through the series are simply those on which the charters were actually written.

B., C., and D.— Kaṭak Copper-plate Grants of the thirty-first year of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I.

These three records form what is called in line 46 of B., line 48 of C., and line 50 of D., a triphalî-tâmra-sâsana or set of three connected charters. The object of them was to register the fact that Mahâ-Bhavagupta I. granted to a Brâhman named Sâdhârana,—apparently the person who is mentioned in them as his chief minister,—the villages of Randâ and Alândalâ in the Pôvâ vishaya (B. lines 4, 5), Arkigrâmâ in the Tulumva khanda (C. lines 4, 5), and Tûlêndâ, or perhaps Trûlêndâ, in the Sandânâ vishaya (D. line 5), in the Kôsala dêsa or country (B. line 4, C. line 4, D. line 5). The charters were all written by one and the same person, Mâhûka, on Mârga sukla 13 in the thirty-first year of the reign of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I.; and they were all engraved by one and the same person, Mâdhava. Why the grants were not all recorded in one and the same charter, is not apparent; except on the hypothesis that, the villages conveyed by each charter being in different territorial divisions, separate deeds were required for exhibition to the different local authorities of the three divisions.

As the plates are not all of the same size, and so the forty-nine lines of which B. consists run out into fifty-one lines in C. and fifty-three lines in D., the records do not lie uniformly on the three sets of plates. But, with the exception that, for the words Kôśa(sa)la-dêśê Pôvâ-viśa(sha)yiya-Ranḍâ-grāmê | tathâ Alânḍalâ-grāmê of B. lines 4, 5, we have Kôśa(sa)la-dêśê Tulumva-khanḍiya-Arkigrāmâ-grāmê in C. lines 4, 5, and Kôśa(sa)la-dêśê Sandânâ-viśa(sha)yiya-Tû(? trā)lɨnḍâ-grāmê in D. line 5, the texts were intended to be identical throughout, and practically are so, save for a few of the accidental slips which are always met with in records of this kind. It seems sufficient, therefore, to give the text of B. only, in full; mentioning in the footnotes any points of interest in which the text of C. and D. agree with or differ from it. And a lithograph of B. suffices to illustrate all the three records.

в.

This record was originally brought to notice in 1875, in the *Ind. Ant.* Vol. V. p. 55 ff., by Babu Rangalala Banerjea, according to whose account the plates were found in ploughing a field at Chaudwâr, on the opposite side of the river to Kaṭak. I re-edit it from the original plates, which I obtained for examination, in 1883, from Mr. Beames, I.C.S. (Bengal), who communicated the Babu's paper to the journal in which it was published.

The plates are three in number, each measuring about $9\frac{3}{8}''$ by $5\frac{5}{8}''$ at the ends and somewhat less in the middle. The edges of them were fashioned slightly thicker than the inscribed portions, so as to serve as rims to protect the writing; and the inscription is in a state of perfect preservation throughout.— The ring, on which the plates are strung, is about $\frac{5}{8}''$ thick and $4\frac{1}{4}''$ in diameter. It had not been cut when the grant came under my notice. The seal, in which the ends of the ring are secured, is circular, about $1\frac{3}{4}''$ in diameter. It is a good deal damaged; but it shews, in relief on a slightly countersunk surface, the goddess Lakshmî, seated on a throne, with, on each side of her, an elephant, with its trunk lifted up over her head; below this, there was some legend which is now quite illegible.— The weight of the three plates is 4 lbs. 7 oz., and of the ring and seal, 1 lb. 15 oz.; total, 6 lbs. 6 oz.— The characters are Nâgarî, of the northern class. They include forms of the decimal figures 1 and 3, in lines 45, 46. The virâma occurs, in conjunction with the full forms of the letters to which it is attached, in katakat, line 1, vrajet, line 21, dadyat, line 22, partthivendran, lines 31, 32, and samvat, line 45; but the final form of n occurs in vrahmanan and visayiyan, line 5, and sanvat, line 7, and a final form of m, resembling an anusvar with a viram below it, in

bhavatám, line 8, phalam, line 18, ánandyam, line 19, and several other words. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{5}{16}$. The engraving is good and deep; but, the plates being substantial, the letters do not show through on the reverse sides. The interiors of some of the letters show the usual marks of the working of the engraver's tool. And the way in which the soft copper was pressed up in the process of engraving, has rendered the lithograph rather indistinct in some places; especially in plate ii. b.— The language is Sanskrit. There are the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses in lines 17 to 84; and three ordinary verses in lines 37-42 and 48, 49.— In respect of orthography, the only points that call for special notice are (1) the use of the guttural nasal, instead of the anusvára, in trinšattimė, line 44; and (2) the use of v for b throughout.

The inscription, which is styled in line 46, a triphali-túmra-súsana or one copper charter of a connected set of three, the others being C. and D., is one of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I., who in line 48 is called Kôsal-éndra, or "lord of Kôsala." The charter contained in it was issued from the city of Kaṭaka, while the king was in residence at the ârâma or pleasure-garden. And the object of it was to register the grant, to a Brâhman, of two villages named Raṇḍâ and Alâṇḍalâ in the Pôvâ vishaya in Kôsala. The charter was written by a clerk attached to the office of the Mahâsamdhivigrahin Malladatta, on Mârgasîrsha sukla 13 in the thirty-first year of the reign of Mahâ-Bhavagupta I.

C.

This record is now brought to notice for the first time, I believe. I edit it from the original plates, which I obtained for examination from Mr. Beames in 1883. I have no precise information as to where they were found; but it appears to have been somewhere at, or closely in the neighbourhood of, Kaṭak.

The plates are three in number, each measuring about 9" by $5\frac{2}{4}$ ". The edges of them were fashioned slightly thicker than the inscribed portions, so as to serve as rims to protect the writing; and the inscription is in a state of perfect preservation, except in a few places in the last lines of plate ii. b.— The ring, on which the plates are strung, is about $\frac{5}{8}$ " thick and $4\frac{1}{8}$ " in diameter. It had not been cut when the grant came under my notice. The seal, in which the ends of the ring are secured, is circular, about $1\frac{3}{4}$ " in diameter. In relief on a slightly countersunk surface, it has the goddess Lakshmî, seated on a throne, with, on each side of her, an elephant, with its trunk lifted up over her head; and, below this, a legend, of which the first letter and the last four are rather indistinct, but which is plainly *sri-Mahâ-Bhavaguptarâjadêva. The weight of the three plates is 4 lbs. 4 oz., and of the ring and seal 1 lb. $15\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; total 6 lbs. $3\frac{1}{2}$ oz.— The characters are of precisely the same type with those of B.; the virâma, and the final forms of t, n, and m, are used almost exactly as in B. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{1}{16}$ ". The engraving is good and deep; but, the plates being substantial, the letters do not show through on the reverse sides. The interiors of some of them shew the usual marks of the working of the engraver's tool.—There are the same peculiarities of orthography as in B.

D.

This record was originally brought to notice in 1882, in the Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. LI. Part I. Proceedings, p. 9. ff., by Dr. Rajendralala Mitra, according to whose account the plates were found at Katak. I notice it from the original plates, which I examined in 1884; they were then in the collection of the Bengal Asiatic Society, having been presented by Mr. Winterscale.

The plates are three in number, each measuring about 8\frac{1}{8}" by 5\frac{1}{8}". The edges of them were fashioned slightly thicker than the inscribed portions, so as to serve as rims to protect the

writing; and the inscription is in a state of perfect preservation almost throughout.— The ring, on which the plates are strung, is about $\frac{5}{5}$ " thick and 4" in diameter. It had not been cut when the grant came under my notice. The seal, in which the ends of the ring are secured, is circular, about $1\frac{3}{2}$ " in diameter. It is partly broken; and the surface of it is so much worn that there are now no traces of any emblems or legend on it.— The weight of the three plates is 4 lbs. 4 oz., and of the ring and seal, 1 lb. $11\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; total, 5 lbs. $15\frac{1}{2}$ oz.— The characters are of precisely the same type with those of B. and C.; the virâma, and the final forms of t, n, and m, are used almost exactly as in B. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{5}{16}$ ". The engraving is good and deep; but the plates are too substantial for the letters to show through on the reverse sides. The interiors of them shew the usual marks of working the engraver's tool.— There are the same peculiarities of orthography as in B.

TEXT OF B.1

First Plate.

- 1 Ôm² Svasti | Śrîmad-ārāma-samāvāsina(ta)ḥ³ śrīmatô vijaya-Kaṭakāt | paramabhattā-
- 2 raka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara-śrî-Śivaguptadêva- p â d â n u d h y â t a paramamâhêśva-
- 3 ra-paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhirâja-paramêśvara S ô m a k u l a t i l a k a triKaliṅgâdhipati-
- 4 mahârâjâdhirâja⁴-śrî-Mahâ-Bhavaguptadêvaḥ kuśalî | Kôśa(sa)la-dêśê Pôvâ⁵-viša(sha)yîya-⁶
- 5 Raṇḍâ-grâmê | tathâ Alâṇḍalâ-grâmê | 7 vrâ(brâ)hmaṇân saṃpûjya tad-viśa(sha)yîyân⁸ yatbâkâl-â-
- 6 dhyâsinah samâhartri-sannidhâtri-niyuktak-âdhikârî(ri)ka⁹-dâṇḍapâśika-châṭa-
- 7 bhaṭṭa(ṭa)-piśuna-vêri(tri)k¹⁰-âvarôdhajana-râṇaka-[râjaputra*]¹¹-râja vallabh-âdina(n)¹³ sarvvân sa-
- 8 mâjîiâpayati | Viditam=astu bhavatâm [i*] yath=âsmâbhir=ayan=grâmaḥ sha(sa)-nidhis=s-ô-
- 9 panidhis=sa-daśâparâdhas=sarvva-vâ(bâ)dhâ-vivarjjitas=sarvv-ôparikakar-âd â n a-sahitaś=chatub-

^{&#}x27; From the original plates.

² Represented by a plain symbol; and in the same way in C. and D.

³ C. line 1, and D. line 1, have samavasitah, correctly.

⁴ This is an unnecessary repetition,— occurring also in C. line 4, and D. line 4,— the title being given already in the preceding line.

⁵ Babu Rangalala Bauerjea read Yôdhô; and Mr. Beames identified the name with that of the modern Jôdh pargana, a few miles to the north of Katak. But the consonant of the second syllable is undoubtedly v, not dh; and in the first syllable we seem to have p, not v.

D. line 5 also has visaytya for vishaytya.

⁷ C. lines 4, 5, has Kôla(sa)la-dêlê Tulumva-khandiya-Arkigrama-grams; and D. line 5 has Kôla(sa)la-dêlê Sandânâ-vila(sha)yiya-Tû(?trû)lêndâ-grâmê.

⁸ C. line 5, and D. line 6, also have visayiyan for vishayiyan.

⁹ C. line 6, and D. line 7, have oddhikarika, correctly.

¹⁰ C. line 7, and D. line 7, have vêtrik", correctly.

¹¹ This word is supplied from C. line 7, and D. line 8, which both have rdnaka rdjcputra-rdjavellable addna(n).

²⁶ C. line 7, and D. line 8, also have addna, for addn.

- 10 sîmâ-paryantas=s-â[mra*]¹-madhukas=sa-gart-ôsha[ra*]s² = sa-jala-sthala-sahitaḥ pratinishiddha-châta-bhatta(ta)-pra-
- 11 vêśah | Ţṭa(ṭa)kârî³-vinirggatâya | Kôśa(sa)lê⁴ Turvvunâ-vâstavyâya | Bharadvâja-gôtrâya | Vâ-
- 12 rhaspaty-Ângirasa-pravarâya | Vâjasêna⁵-śâkh-âdhyâyinê bhatta-śrî-mahattama-Sâdhâranâ-
- 13 ya | bhaṭṭa-śrî-Śôbhana-sutâya | saliladhârâ-purassaram=â-chandra-târakârkka-kshiti-sama-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 14 kâl-ôpabhôgâya | mâtâpitrôr=âtmanaś=cha puṇya-yaśô-bhivṛiddhayê tâmvra(mra)⁶-śâsanên=âkarî-
- 15 kṛitya pratipâditam⁷=ity=avagatya samuchita-bhôga-bhâga-kara-hiraṇy-âdipratyâyam=upanaya-
- 16 dbhir-bhavadbhis-sukhêna prativastavyam-iti | bhâvibhiś-cha bhûpatibhir-ddattir-iyam-asmadîyâ dharmma-
- 17 gauravâd-asmad-anurôdhâch-cha sva-dattir-iv-ânupâlanîyâ || Tathâ chôktan-dharmma-śâstrê | Va(ba)hubhi-
- 18 r⁸=vvasudhâ dattâ râjabhis=Sagar-âdibhiḥ | yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis= tasya tasya tadâ phalam || Mâ bhû-
- 19 d=aphala-śankâ vaḥ papara9-datt=êti pârthivâḥ | sva-dânât=ma(pha)lam= ânandyam¹0 para-dân-â-
- 20 nupâlanê [||*] Shashṭim=varsha-sahasrâṇi svarggê môdati bhûmi-daḥ | âkshêptâ ch=ânuma-
- 21 ntâ cha dvitayan=narakam vrajêt || Agnêr¹¹=apatyam prathamam suvarṇṇam bhûr=Vvaishṇavî
- 22 sûrya-sutâś=cha gâvaḥ | yaḥ kâṇcha(ñcha)na[m๋*]¹\$ gâṇ(ñ)=cha mahîṇ(ñ)=cha dadyât dattâs=trayas=têna bhavanti lôkê(kâḥ)¹\$ [||*]
- 23 Âsphôṭayanti¹⁴ pitaraḥ pravalganti pitâmahâḥ | bhûmi-dâtâ kulê jâtaḥ sa nas=trâtâ bha-
- 24 vishyati || Bhûmim yah pratigṛihṇâti yaś=cha bhûmim prayachchhati | ubhau tau puṇya-karmmâṇau ni-
- 25 yatam svargga-gâminau || Taḍâgânâ[m*] sahasrâṇi vâjapêya-śatâ[ni*]!5 cha | gavâm kôṭi-pra-
- 26 dânêna bhûmi-harttâ na śudhyati || Harêta hârayêd=yas=tu mandavu(bu)ddhis=tamô-vritah | su-va(ba)ddhô

¹ C. line 10, and D. line 11, have s-amra, correctly.

² C. line 10, and D. line 11, have osharas, correctly.

³ C. line 11 also has Ttakart, for Takart; D. line 2 has Ttakara, evidently through pure carelessness.

^{*} C. line 11, and D. line 12, also have Kôśale, for Kôsale.

Read Vajasaneya .- C. line 12, and D. line 13, have the same mistake.

C. line 15, and D. line 16, also have tâmvra, for tâmra.

⁷ Read pratipadita.— C. line 15, and D. line 16, have the same mistake.

Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and in the next two verses.

⁹ Read para. - D. line 21 makes the same mistake; C. line 19 has para, correctly.

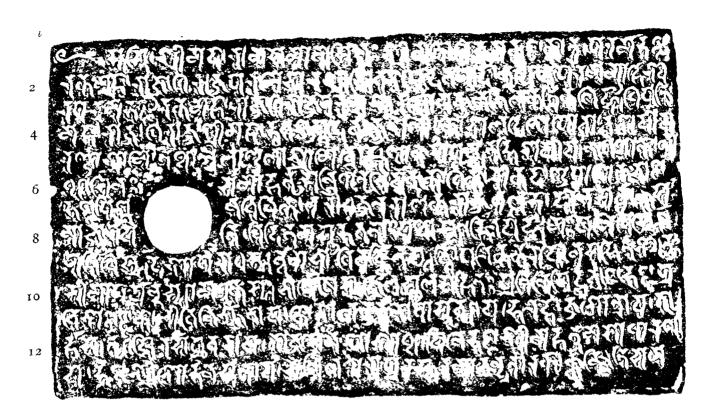
¹⁰ C. line 20 has the same reading; D. lines 21, 22, has dnantyam.

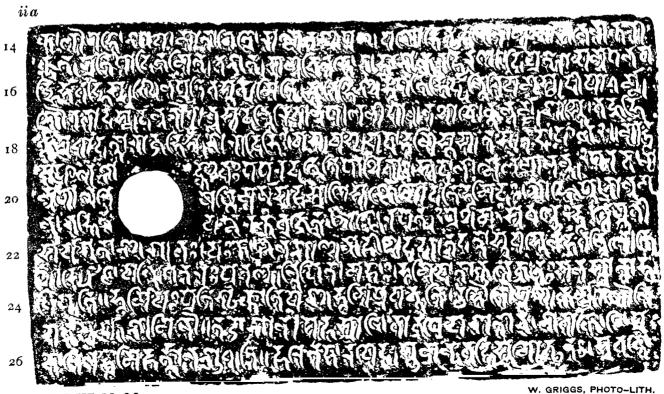
Here, and in the following two words, C. line 23, and D. line 24, also have the a by mistake for z.

¹⁸ C. line 23, and D. line 25, also have loke, for lokah.

¹⁴ Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and in the next six verses.

¹⁵ C. line 26, and D. line 28, have fatani, correctly.





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Second Plate: Second Side.

- Va[ru*]naih1 pâśais=tiryagyônim gachchhati || 88 Suvarnnam=êkam gâm=êkâm bhûmêr=apy=arddham=angulam |
- haran=narakam=âyâti yâvad=â-bhûta-samplavam || Sva-dattâm=para-dattâm= vâ yô harêta vasundha-
- sa vishthâyâm krimir=bhûtvâ pitribhis=saha pachyatê || 29 râm | Âditvô Varuņô Vishņur=Vvra(bbra)hmâ
- sômô hutásanah | Sûlapanis=cha bhagavân=abhinandanti bhûmi-dam || Sâmânvô³≈
- 31 yam dharmma-sêtur=tri(nri)pânâm³ kâlê-kâlê pâlanîyô bhavadbhih | sarvvân=êvam bhâvinah pârthi-
- bhûvô-bhûvô vâchatê 32 vêndrân Râmabhadrah II Iti* kamala-dalâmvu(mbu)-vindu-lô-
- 33 lâm śriyam=anuchintya manushya-jîvitam cha | sakalam=idam= udâhrita[m*] cha vudvâ5
- 34 na hi purushaih para-kîrttayô vilôpyâh [] Sakala-bhûpâla-mauli-mâlâ-vi-
- 35 lagna-mâṇikya-mayûkha-vrât-âbhiraṇji(ñji)t-âṅgi(ṅghri)6 k a m a l a y u g a l a ḥ prachanda-dôrddanda-manda-
- 36 lâgra-khandit-ârâti-matta-mâtanga-vimukta-muktâphala-prasâdhit-âşêsha- r a n amahî-
- 37 mandalah II Yas7=Sâdhârana-nâmni mantri-tilakê vinyasya sarvv-âgamam dhairy-ôdanyati tî-
- 38 vra-têjasi dhuram râjyasya vipr-0ttame | nân-âkhyânaka-vistar-âmritaras-âsvâdâd=a-
- 39 manda-sphurat-santôshât-sukham-anvabhûd-aviratam prithvîśa-chûdâmanih || Jña(jñe)y8-as[esh-a*]rtha9-

Third Plate.

- 40 sâstra-smriti-vimala-dhiyâ vêda-vêdânga-vidyâ-sikshâ-kalp-êtihâsa-prakata-Suragu-
- 41 ruh10-prapta-bhûyishtha-dhamna ! nâmnâ Sâdhâranêna dvija-vara-vidhinâ mantriņā yasya rājyam ni-
- 42 rvyûdham sô=yam=uchchais=tri-jagati viditô dharmma-Kandarppa-dêvaḥ || Paramamâhêśvara-parama-
- 43 bhaṭṭâraka-mahârâjâdhìrâja-paramêśvara-Sômakulatilaka-triKalingâdhi pati-śrî-
- 44 Mahâ-Bhavaguptadêva-pâdapadma-prayarddhamâna-vijaya-râjyê trinsatti(tta)mêll sâ(sa)mvatsa-

Metre : Sragdharå.

¹ C. line 28, and D. line 29, have Varunaih, correctly.

² Metre : Sâlinî.

^{*} C. line 32, and D. line 34, also have tripandin, for aripandin.

⁴ Metre : Pushpitagra.

⁵ Read buddhvd. - C. line 35, and D. line 37, have the same mistake.

⁶ C. line 37, and D. line 38, also have "ranjit-dngi, for "ranjit-dnghri. 7 Metre : Śârdûlavikridita.

⁹ C. line 41, and D. line 43, have the correct reading, - jüly-dilah-artha.

Bend Suraguru .- C. line 42, and D. line 44, have the correct reading.

¹¹ D. line 48 also has trinéattimé, for trinéattamé; C. line 46 introduces an additional mistake, and has tinkattimê.

9 Read mahattamain.

- 45 rê¹ | Mârgga śudi² tithau trayôdaśyâm yatr=ânkên=âpi samvat³
 31 Mârgga
- 46 **sudi 1**3 likhitam=idam triphalî-tâmvra(mra)⁴-śâsaua[m^{*}] mahâsândhivigra-
- 47 hî⁵-râṇaka-śrî-Malladatta-prativa(ba)ddha-kâyastha-śrî-Mâhûkêna Priyankarâ-
- 48 ditya-sutên⁶-êti || Praṇîtam' Kôśa(sa)1⁸-êndrêṇa prativô(bô)dhyamamhattama⁹ | âdatta Pundarîkâ-
- 49 kshaḥ śâsanam tâmra¹¹¹-nirmmitam || Utkirnita¹¹ Mâdhavêna Vâsu-shû(su)tên¹²=êti ||

ABSTRACT OF CONTENTS OF B.

From the victorious (city of) Kaṭaka (line 1),— the most devout worshipper of the god Mahêśvara (Śiva), the Paramabhaṭṭāraka, Mahārājādhirāja, and Paramēśvara, the ornament of the Sômakula, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Mahā-Bhavaguptadêva (I.) (l. 4), who meditates on the feet of the Paramabhaṭṭāraka, Mahārājādhirāja, and Paramēśvara, the glorious Śivaguptadêva (l. 2), being in residence at the pleasure-garden (l. 1), and being in good health (l. 4.), having done worship to the Brāhmaṇs at the villages of Raṇḍā (l. 4) and Alāṇḍalā in the Pôvâ vishaya in the Kôsala dêśa, issues a command to the inhabitants of the district and to all the officials and servants of the king, to the effect that the village in question has been given by him by this charter, to the Bhaṭṭa, the Mahattama Sādhāraṇa (l. 12), son of the Bhaṭṭa Śôbhana, an immigrant from Ṭakārī (l. 11),¹³ a resident of Turvunā in Kôsala, belonging to the Bharadvāja gôtra, with the pravara of Bārhaspatya and Āngirasa, and a student of the Vājasanēya śākhā.

Lines 15 to 34 are occupied with the usual mandate to future kings to continue the grant, and with benedictive and imprecatory verses.

Lines 34 to 42 praise the king as a very god Kandarpa (Kâmadêva) in respect of religion, and tell us that his chief minister was a *Mantrin* or counsellor named Sâdhâraṇa.

And lines 42 to the end tell us that the charter was written by the Kâyastha Mâhûka, son of Priyamkarâditya, who belonged to (the office of) the Mahâsamdhivigrahin, the Rânaka Malladatta, on the thirteenth tithi in the bright fortnight of the month Mârga or Mârgasîrsha in the thirty-first year of the victorious reign of Mahâ-Bhavaguptadêva (I.); and that, delivered by the lord of Kôsala, and intended to give information to the

¹ C. lines 46, 47, and D. line 49, also have samvatsare, for samvatsare.

² C. line 47, and D. line 49, also have *(udi.*

^{*} C. line 47 has samvata, for samvat; D. line 49 has samvat, more correctly.

⁴ C. line 48, and D. line 50, also have tamera, for tamera.

Bead sandhivigrahi.- C. line 48, and D. line 50, have the same mistakes.

⁶ C. line 49-50 has sushun, for sunun; D. line 51 has suten, for suten.

⁷ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh).

⁸ C. line 50, and D. lines 51, 52, also have Kôśaio, for Kôsalo.

²⁰ C. line 51, and D. line 52, also have tamra, correctly, in this passage.

¹¹ Read utkirnam.— C. line 51, and D. line 53, have the same mistake.

D. line 53 also has shûtên°; C. line 51 has shutên°.

¹³ This, and not Dhakârî, seems to be the name that is given, or was intended to be given, in the grant of Madanavarmadêva of A.D. 1134 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVI. p. 208, text line 12). It is perhaps another form of the name of the bhafṭa-village in the Madhyadêśa or Middle Country, which is called Takkârikâ in the Kalas-Budrûkh grant of Bhillama III. of A.D. 1025 (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVII. p. 118).— A somewhat similarly named place is mentioned in the grant of Dhangadêva of A.D. 998; the exact name there, however, is Tarkârikâ, with the dental instead of the lingual t (Ind. Ant. Vol. XVII. p. 204).— In E. below, we have Takkâra.

Mahattama, it was received by Pundaríkâksha: also that it was engraved by Mâdhava, son of Vâsu.

E.- Katak Copper-Plate Grant of the ninth year of Maha-Śivagupta.

This record was originally brought to notice in 1877, in the Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XLVI. Part I. p. 149 ff., by Babu Rangalala Banerjea, according to whose account the plates were found among the official records at Kaṭak. I re-edit it from the lithograph, published with the Babu's article on it, which, though it is on a very small scale, and though it is plainly not a purely mechanical reproduction, suffices to make the text clear all through, except for some four or five letters in line 36.

The plates are three in number, each measuring about 8" by 61"; it would appear that the first plate is engraved on one side only, and the third on both sides .-- The ring, on which the plates were strung, with any seal that there may have been on it, is reported to have been lost .- The characters are Nâgarî, of the northern class; they are very similar to the characters of B., C., and D., and were possibly written, for reproduction by the engraver, by the same person who wrote those records. They include forms of the decimal figures 1 to 7 in lines 7 to 20, and of the figure 9 in line 65; and also forms of the numerical symbols for 3 and 10 in line 65.3 The avagraha occurs twice; in yathassmabhir, line 29, where it is not really required, and in yasôsbhivriddhayê, line 38, where the use of it is quite correct. The virâma occurs with t, in ârât, line 11, tasmát and purât, line 12, and anurôdhât, line 42. Final forms occur, of n, in yasmin, line 11, śrimân, line 14, sarvvân, line 29, and prêyân, line 61, and of m, (1) resembling an anusvâra with a virâma below it, in vibhûshitam, line 16, and angulam, line 51, and (2) in a more elaborate shape, in artham, lines 37, 38, and probably in bhavatam, line 29.— The language is Sanskrit. And, in addition to the customary benedictive and imprecatory verses in lines 42 to 59, there are ordinary verses in lines 1 to 20 and 60 to 62.— In respect of orthography, the only points that call for special notice are (1) the use of the guttural nasal n, instead of the anusvara, before s, in dhvansana, by mistake for dhvansana, line 8; (2) the use of v for b, throughout; and (3) the use of j for y in jayati, line 64.

The inscription is one of Mahâ-Śivagupta, otherwise called Yayâti. The charter contained in it was issued from a town named Vinîtapura, on the bank of the river Mahânadî. And the object of it was to register a grant, to a Brâhman, of a village named Chândagrâma in the Marada vishaya or district in Dakshina-Kôsalâ. At the end there is recorded the date,—apparently for the writing of the charter,— of Jyêshtha śukla 13 in the ninth year of the reign of Yayâti, i.e. of Mahâ-Śivagupta.

TEXT.

First Plate.

- 1 Om⁶ [||*] Svasti⁷ |⁸ prêma-niruddha-mugdha-manasôḥ sphârîbhavach-chakshushôr=yûnôr=yya-
- 2 tra vichitra-nirbhara-rata-krîdâ-kramam tanvatôh vichebhinnô=pi kṛitâtimâtra-pulakai-

¹ Evidently as Ditaka, for transmission of the charter to the grantee.

² The perfectly plain ground between the letters proves this.

The form of 10 used here is practically given in col. 6 of Pandit Bhagawanlal Indraji's table in the Ind. Ant. Vol. VI. p. 44; but he took it (see id. p. 46, and note §) from a symbol (Jour. Beng. As. Soc. Vol. XL. Part I. p. 166, last line of the text, and Plate) which must really mean 100 or 200. The form of 3 is not given in his table; it has possibly been somewhat added to in preparing the lithograph of this charter.

⁴ See page 352 below, note 11.
5 From the published lithograph.
6 Represented by a plain symbol.

⁷ Metre: Sardulavikridita; and in the next two verses.

8 This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

smara-rasah kâmam= r=âvirbhu(rbha)vat-sîtkritair=âślêshair=glapita-klamaih muhu[h*] stâvya-

tê1 || 1 ||2

- Yat[r*]=âśêsha-viśêsha-rûpa-mahim-âpâst-âpsaraḥ-kântibhir=jjât-êrshyâkalajâyantê pravišankita-smara-šarahêshv-api praņayinah karņņ-ôtpalais-tâditâh |
- sândri(ndra)-svêda-jal-âvasêchana-vasân=niryyâta-rômprôtthâpit-ântar-vyathâ[h*] ângu(nku)râ-
- prôdbhasi-rôchis-chayair=dhva-Atyuttunga-karindra-danta-musalai[h*] h || 2 || sta-dhvansana3-nishphalîkrita-sarach-chandr-ôdayau(yai)h sarvadâ4 | yatr=âsîd= asat[î*]-
- janasya viśadam muktâmayam mandanam sankêt-âspadam=apy=atîva dhavala[m*] Mahanadi -tunga-taranga-bhanga-sphar-otsa(chchha)-
- pråsåda-śring-ågratah |(||) 3 || yasmin rat-âsaktimad-anganânâ[m*] lach-chhîkaravadbhir-ârât
- Tasmât śrî-Vinîtapurât ! Lôka6-traya-pradah kriyatê marudbhih |(||) 4 ||
- thita-subhra-yasô-vitâna-vyâpt-âshța-dik = prasabha-nirjjita-vairi-varggah |
- bhuvi bhâvita-bhavya-mûrttih śrimân sarôja-vadanô va(ba)bhûva 14 râjâ

Second Plate ; First Side.

- Yah7 khadg-âgra-vidârita-dvipa-ghatâ-kumbhasthanamêjay-âkhyah || 5 ||
- $l\hat{a}d\text{=}ullasan\text{-}mukt[\hat{a}^*]\text{-}j\hat{a}la\text{-}vibh\hat{u}shitam \qquad p[r^*]ati\text{-}raṇam$ prithvî-vadh-ûrahsthala[m*] [cha-
- chârutaran=narâdhipa-śirô-ratn-âgra-jâl-âmalâ yat-pâd-âmvu(mbu)ja-rê-17 krê
- Nirddârit8-âri-karitad-raśmi-lakshmîm dadhuh | 6 | 18 navah kumbha-sa-
- mûha-mukta-muktâphala-prakara-da[tta-rathânga]-dhâraḥ jagattatasmâd=ajâyata 19
- ttraya9-gîta-kîrttir=hêlâ-vinirjjita-ripur=nn[ri*]patir=Yayâtih || 7 || Para-
- m a m âh ê śvara-param a bhattaraka-mah ar ajadhir aja-param ê svara-
- Sô makulatilaka-triKalingâdhipati-śrî-Mahâ-Bhavaguptarâja-
- dêva-pâd-ânudhy âta-paramamâhê śvara-paramabhattâraka-mahârâ-
- jâdhirâja-paramêśvara-Sômakulatilaka-tri Kalingâdhipati-śrî-Ma-
- hâ-Si(Śi)vaguptarajadevah kuśalî ||10 Dakshitôsalâyâm¹¹ Mareda-vishavî-
- ya-Chândagrâmê |12 tad-vishayîya-vrâ(brâ)hmanân=sa[m*]pûjya yathâkâlâdhyâsina[h*]
- samâhartri-sannidhâtri-talahi(?)ta-sâma[m*]t- âs i ka n i y u k ta k â d h i kâr i ka dâ-27
- ndapâsi(śi)ka-piśuna-vêtrê(tri)k-âvarôdhajana-râṇa ka-râjaputra-râ[ja*]valla-
- samâjñâpayati [|*] bh-âdî n*] sa r*]vvân Viditam=astu bhava [tâ]m ssmåbhir=a-

¹ Read svádyaté.

These opening verses are numbered in the original. But the numbers 1 and 2 are wrongly placed after, respectively, the end of the second verse and the second pâda of the third verse.

Read odhvanta-dhramsana.

⁴ This word was at first omitted, and then was inserted below the line.

⁵ Metre: Upajāti of Indravajrā and Upendravajrā.

⁶ Metre: Vasantatilaka.

⁷ Metre : Śârdûlavikrîdita.

⁸ Metre: Vasantatilaka.

⁹ Read jagat-traya.

¹⁶ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

¹¹ This seems to be a mistake for Dakshina-Kôsaldyóm, which reading was given by Babu Rangalsla Banerjes as if it really stands in the original. There appears, however, to have been also a country named Tôshala or Tôsala.

¹³ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

Second Plate; Second Side.

sa-nidhis=s-ôpanidhih va[m*] grâmah sarvva-vâ(bâ)dhâ-vivarjjitaḥ sarvy-ôpari-31 kar-âdâna-sahitas=tâl-âdi-taru-samyutah sa-ga[r*]tt-ôshara[h*] sa-jala-sthalaś=chatuh-si(sî)m-âvachchhinnah Madhyadêsîya-Śrîvallagrama-ve(vi)nirggataya śrî-Śilâbhañjapâtî-vâstavyâya | 33 Ôdra-dêsê Takkâra-pûrvva-Bhâra-34 dvája-gôtráya |1 Ângirasa-Vârhaspatya⁹-Bhâradvâja-pravarâya |3 Chchhândôga-Kauthuma-śâkh-âdhyâyinê bhattaputr-Ânanta-naptrê śrî-Śankhapânî(ni)-nâmnê Dinakara-putrâya |4 âjya-pâ(?sâ)la h salila-dhârâpurassaram=â-chandra-târak-ârkka-[kshi*]ti-samakâl-ôpabhôg-ârtha-37 38 mâtâpitrôr-âtmanaś-cha punya-yasôsbhivriddhavê tâmvra(mra)-śâśanê-39 n=âkarîkritya pratipâdita ity=avagatya yathâdîyam[â*]na-kara-bhara-hiranya-bhôga-bhâg-âdikam |5 dadadbhih bhavadbhih sukhêna prativastavyam=iti []] bhâvibhiś=cha bhûpatibhir=dattir=iyam=asmadîyâ [dhar]mma-gauravâd=asmad-anurôdhât sva-dâ(da)ttir=iv=ânupâlanîyâ |(||) Tathâ ch=ôktam dharmma-sâstrê [|*] Va(ba)hubhir6=vasudhâ dattâ râjabhih Sagar-âdibhih | yasya Vasva vadâ bhûmi-

Third Plate; First Side.

- 44 s=tasya tasya tadâ phala[m*] |(||) Mâ bhûd=aphala-sa(śa)nkâ vaḥ |7 para-datt=êti pâ[r*]thiv[âḥ*]
- 45 sva-dattât=phalam=ânandya[m*] para-datt-ânupâlanê || Âsphôtayanti pita-
- 46 rô valgayanti pitâmahâh bhûmi-dâtâ kulêh⁸ jâtah sa nas=trâtâ bhavishyati ||
- 47 Bhûmi[m*] yaḥ pratigrihṇâti yaś=cha bhûmim=prayachchhati ||(|) ubhau tau puṇya-karmmâṇau
- 48 niyata[m*] sva[r*]gga-gâminau || Taḍâgânâm sahasrêṇa vâjapêya-sa(śa)têna cha
- 49 gavâm kôti-pradânêna bhûmi-harttâ na su(su)dhyatê || Haratê hârayêd=yas=tu manda-vu(bu)-
- 50 ddhis=tamô-vṛitaḥ s[u*]-va(bad)dhô Vâruṇau(ṇai)ḥ pâsai(śai)s=tiryagyôni[m*] sa gachchhati || Su-
- 51 va[r*]nnam-êkam gâm-êkâ[m*] bhûmêr=apy=[ê*]kam-angulam | haran=narakam=âyâti
- 52 y[â*]vad=â-bhûti(ta)-sa[m*]plavam || Sva-dattâm=para-dattâm=vâ yô harêta va[su*]ndharâ[m*]
- 53 | sa vishthâyâ[m*] kṛimi[r*]=bhûtvâ pitribhih saha pachyatê || Âdityô Varu-
- 54 nô Vishnu[r*]=Vra(bra)hmâ sômô hutâsa(śa)naḥ | Sû(śû)lapâṇiś=cha bhagavân=abhinanda-
- 55 nti bhûmi-dam || Sâmânyô 9=yan=dharmma-sêtur=nṛipânâ[m*] kâlê-kâlê pâla-
- 56 nîyô bhavadbhih sarvvân=êtâna(n) bhâvinah pârtthivêndrâna(n) | 10 bhûyô-bhûyô yâ-

¹ This mark of punctuation, also, is unnecessary.

² Read Angirasa-Barhaspatya; omitting the mark of punctuation which stands between the two words.

^{*} This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

^{4.} This mark of punctuation, also, is unnecessary.

^{*} This mark of punctuation, again, is unnecessary.

Metre : Ślôka (Anushṭubh); and in the next eight verses.

⁷ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

⁹ Metre: Śalini. 10 This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

- chatê Râmabhadrah || Itil kamala-dal-âmvu(mbu)-vi(bi)ndu-lôlâm |2 śrî(śri)vam=a-
- nuchintya manushya-jîvitañ-cha! sakalam=idam=[u*]dâhritañ=cha vuddha³ hi pu-
- para-kîrttayô [rushai]h vilôpyâh |(||) Sra(?)shţâ(?)4 yas=tu gun-âtmakas=tadadhi(?) [11*]

Third Plate: Second Side.

- Yên5=âtyanta-sur-âsur-âdhipa-guru[h*] prajñ-âbhimânô jitô6 râjñ=ârôpita-râjya-bhâ-
- ram=atulam yaś=ch=âvahal=[l*]îlayâ | yasy=âsîn=naya-vikrama-dvayam=api 61
- sakhâ sarvvadâ vah 7 khvâtô dhrita-sâ(sa)ndhi-vigraha-padah Chchhichchhatêsva(sa)h kritî ||
- 63 Paramamâhêśvara-paramabhaṭṭâraka-mahâr â ja 8- paramêś va [ra*]-Sô makulati-
- 64 laka-triKalingâdhipati-śrî-Ja(ya)yâtirâjadêva-pravarddhamâna-yê(vi) ja ya-râjyê
- navamê samvatsarê 9 Jyêshtha-śi(si)ta-trayôdaśyâ[m] | 9 10 3h 10
- vijnanî(ni)-Madhavên=êtî(ti) [||*] 66 Ôm 12 |(||) 0m 11

ABSTRACT OF CONTENTS.

The record opens with four verses describing the charms and delights of a town named Vinîtapura (line 12), on the Mahânadî (l. 10). Then, in three more verses, it mentions a king named Janamêjaya (l. 14-15), and his son Yayâti (l. 20). Then it continues:—From the town of Vinîtapura (l. 12), the most devout worshipper of (the god) Mahêsvara, the Paramabhattaraka, the Maharajadhiraja, the Paramesvara, the ornament of the Sômakula. the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Mahâ-Śivaguptarājadēva (l. 25), who meditates on the feet of the most devout worshipper of (the god) Mahêsvara, the Paramabhattaraka, the Maharajadhiraja, the Paraméśvara, the ornament of the Sômakula, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Mahâ-Bhavaguptarâjadêva (I.) (1. 22-23), being in good health (1. 25). and having done worship to the Brahmans of the district at the village of Chandagrama (l. 26) in the Marada vishaya in Dakshina-Kôsalā (1.25),18 issues a command to all the officials and servants of the king, to the effect that the village in question has been given by him, by this charter, to Sankhapâni (l. 35), son of Dinakara and grandson of Ananta, an immigrant from Śrîvallagrâma in the Madhyadeśa (l. 32), a resident of Śilâbhañjapāṭi in the Odra country (l. 33), belonging to the Takkâra-Bhâradvâja gôtra, 14 with the pravara of Ângirasa, Bårhaspatya, and Bhâradvâja, and a student of the Chhândôga-Kauthuma śákhâ.

Lines 39 to 59 are occupied with the usual mandate to future kings to continue the grant, and with benedictive and imprecatory verses.

¹ Metre : Pushpitagra.

² This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

³ Read buddhod.

⁴ This is the commencement of a verse, in the Śardulavikridita metre, which was left unfinished.

⁵ Metre : Śârdûlavikridita.

Read "ábhimánair-jitő.

⁷ Read sa.

⁸ Read mahárájádhirája, for which the word in the text is obviously a mistake.

⁹ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

¹⁰ The word divasah has to be supplied, in apposition.

¹¹ and 12 Represented by ornate symbols.

¹⁸ See page 352 above, note 11.

¹⁴ Or perhaps, "to (a branch of) the Bharadvaja gotra, which was formerly settled at Takkara."-Takkara is perhaps another form of Takkarika, for which see page 350 above, note 11.

Lines 60 to 62 praise a minister of the king, named Chhichchhatêsa, holding the office of Samdhivigrahin.

And lines 63 to the end give the date of the thirteenth tithi in the bright fortnight of the month Jyêshtha in the ninth year of the victorious reign of the most devout worshipper of (the god) Mahêśvara, the Paramabhattâraka, Mahârâjâdhirâja,¹ and Paramêśvara, the ornament of the Sômakula, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Yayâtirâjadêva; and tell us that the charter was engraved by a person named Mâdhava.

F.—Katak Copper-plate Grant of the third year of Mahâ-Bhavagupta II.

This record is now brought to notice for the first time, I believe. I edit it from the original plates, which I obtained for examination from Mr. Beames in 1883 or 1884. I have no precise information as to where they were found; but it appears to have been somewhere at Kaṭak, or closely in the neighbourhood of that place.

The plates are three in number, each measuring about 93" long by 7" broad at the ends and somewhat less in the middle. They are quite smooth, the edges of them having been neither fashioned thicker nor raised into rims; and the inscription is in some places a good deal damaged by rust: but it can mostly be deciphered without any uncertainty.— The ring, on which the plates are strung, is about $\frac{1}{3}$ " thick and 5" in diameter: it had been cut, before the time when the grant came under my notice; but there is no reason for thinking that it is not the ring properly belonging to the plates. The seal, in which the ends of the ring are secured. is circular, about 13" in diameter: the surface of it is very much damaged; and whatever emblems and legend may have been on it are completely broken away.— The weight of the three plates is 6 lbs. 2 oz., and of the ring and seal, 1 lb. 6 oz.; total, 7 lbs. 8 oz.— The characters are Nagari, of the northern class. They include forms of the decimal figure 3 in line 73. The avagraha occurs in yathassmabhir, line 35, where it is not really required. The virâma occurs with t, in tasmât and nagarât, line 12. Final forms occur,—of t, in ârât, line 11; of n, (1) a simpler form, in adin and sarvvan, line 34, parthivendran, line 63, and śrêuân, line 68, and (2) a more complex form, illustrated best by śrêmân, line 14, and samiñân. line 21; and of m, resembling an anusvara with a virama attached to it or below it, in bharatam, line 35, and phalam, line 49. The average size of the letters is about $\frac{5}{16}$. The engraving is good and fairly deep; but, the plates being substantial, the letters do not show through on the reverse sides. The interiors of them shew the usual marks of the working of the engraver's tool.—In respect of orthography there is nothing to notice, except that v is used for b, throughout.

The inscription is one of Mahâ-Bhavagupta II., otherwise called Bhîmaratha. The charter contained in it was issued from a city named Yayâtinagara, which might be identified with the modern Jâjpur, the chief town of the Jâjpur subdivision of the Kaṭak District, about fifty miles to the north-east of Kaṭak, but that lines 10 to 12 distinctly imply that Yayâtinagara was on the Mahânadî, whereas Jâjpur is only on the Baitaranî, a tributary of the Mahânadî, and is distant from the latter river as far as it is from Kaṭak itself. And the object of the charter was to register the fact that, on the occasion of an eclipse of the sun, a village named Gauḍasiminilli, in the Kôsala-Sâkhangadyanhâ vishaya or district, was granted to a Brâhman. At the end there is given the date, evidently of the writing of the charter, of Mârgaśīrsha šukla 3 in the third year of the reign of Bhîmaratha, i.e. of Mahâ-Bhavagupta II.

TEXT.1

First Plate.

- 1 Om² [||*] Svasti 3 prêma-niruddha-mugdha-manasôh sphåribhavach-[cha*]kshushôr= yûnôr=yatra
- 2 vichitra-nirbhara-rata-krîdâ-krama[m*] tanvatôh] vichchlin n* |ô=pi krit-âtimâtra.
- 3 lakair-âvirbhavat-sîtkritair-âslêshair-glapita-klamaih smara-rasah kâmam mu-
- Yatr-âsêsha-visêsha-rûpa-mahim-âpâst-âpsaraḥ-kântibhir-jâhu[h*] svådyatê |(||)
- t-êrshyâ-kalahêshv=api pranayinah karnn-ôtpalais=tâditâh | jâyantê
- nkita-smara-śara-prôtthâpitt(t)-ântar-vyathâ[h*] sândri(ndra)-svêda-jal-âvasê(sê)chanavasân=nirvvâ-
- Atyut[t*]unga-karîndra-danta-musala-prôdbhâsi-rô[chi*]ś-chayair= 7 ta-rôm-ânkurâh || ddh[v*]ânta-dhvam-
- sana-nishphalîkrita-sarach-chandr-ôdayaih sarvvadâ ||(|) yatr=âsîd=asatî-janasya
- viśadam muktâmayam mandanam sankêt-aspadam=apy=atîva dhavalam
- Mahânadî4-tunga-taranga-bhanga-sphâr-ôchchhalach-chhî-10 sâda-śring-âgratah (||)|
- yasmin=rat-âsaktimad-anganânâ[m*] 11 karavadbhir=ârât []*] śrâ(śra)m-â[pa*]nôdah kri(kri)ya-
- 12 tê marudbhih |(||) Tasmât śrî-Yayâtinagarât | Lôka5-traya-prathita-subhra-ya-
- śô-vitâna-vyâpt-âshta-dik=prasabha-nirjita-vairi-vargah | va(ba)bhûva râjâ bhuvi
- 14 bhâvita-bhavya-mûrttih śrîmân sarôja-vadanô Janamêjay-âkhyah || Nir-
- dârit-âri-kari-kumbha-samûha-mukta-muktâphala-prakara-datta-rathânga-dhâ-15
- jagat-[t*]raya-gîta-kîrttir=hêlâ-vinirjita-ripur=nripa-16 rah [|*] tasmâd=ajâyata
- Yat 6-khadg-âgra-vipâtita-dvipa-ghatâ-kumbhasthalâd-ullasatir=Yayatih ||
- 18 n-muktâ-jâla-vibhûshitam prithvî-vadh-ûra[h*]sthalam prati-rana[m] śaś [v]addv[â]ra-nama-

Second Plate; First Side.

- 19 n-[narâ]dhipa-śirôratn-âńśu-jâl-âmalâ yat-pâd-âmvu(mbu)ja-rêṇavaḥ samatayâ tad-ra-Mâdyal ⁷-lôl-âli-mâl-âkula-karaṭa-puṭ-âsvâ(sya)ndi-dâna-20 śmi-lakshmîm dadhuh II pravâhâ-
- sindûr-ârakta-kumbhân 21 n sita-prithula-radân Kâmadêv-âdi-samjñân | ii-
- patita-sura-vadhû-vismaya-smêra-vaktrah 22 jâvâlam=âjau khadgî trimśa-kê-
- 23 rîndrân⁸ śara-nikara-hat-ârôhakân-agrahîd-yaḥ || Putras 9=tasya va(ba)bhûva dha-
- rmma-niratah śrî-Bhîma-pûrvvô rathah khyâtah kshmâpa-nishêvyamâna(na)-chara[na]-
- 25
- ś=chúdâmanir=bhûbhujâm | yô=sau śaucha-mahâdhanô=pi samarê lakshmîḥ(m) parê-
- 26 shâm va(ba)lâj=jagrâha kshata-vairi-varga-vibhavah saundarya-śôbh-âspadam II
- 27 Paramamâhêśvara-paramabhattâraka-mahârâjadhirâja-paramê-
- śvara-Sômakulatilaka-triKalingâdhipati-śrî-Mahâ-Śivagu-
- ptarajadêva-pâd-ânudhyâta-paramamâhêsvara-paramabhattâra-
- 30 ka-maharajadhiraja-paramés vara-Sômakulatilaka-tri Kalinga-
- 31 dhipati-śrî-Mahâ-Bhavaguptarâjadêvah kuśalâ(lî) Kôsala-Sâkhanga-
 - ³ From the original plates
 - Metre : Sårdûlavikrîdita ; and in the next two verses.
 - 4 Metre: Upajāti of Indravajrā and Upēndravajrā.
 - Metre: Vasantatilaka; and in the next verse.
 - Metre : Śârdûlavikrîdita.
 - 8 Read trimiat-karindrán

- Represented by a plain symbol.
- 7 Metre: Sragdhard.
- Metre : Sårdûlavikridita

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32	dyanhâ-vishayîya- â(saṁ)-	Gaudasimi	ņilli¹-grâmê ³	tad-vishayîya-vrâ(brâ)hman[â*]n=	
33	a(sam)- pûjya	samâhartri-s a nı	ivu kt- âdhikârika-	dâṇḍapâsi(śi)ka-pisu(śu)na-vêtrik-â-	
34					
35	samâjñâpayati	Viditam=	stu bhavatâ	m yathâşsmâbhir=ayan=grâma-	
36	h sa-nidhih	s-ôpanidhih	sarvva-vâ(bâ)dh	â-vivarjitah sarvy-ôparikar-âdâ-	

30	n sa-nidnih s-öpanidhih sarvva-vä(bä)dhä-vivarjitah sarvv-òparikar-ådå-
	Second Plate; Second Side.
37	na-sahî(hi)tah 3 chatuḥ4 s-âmra-madhukah sa-gartt-ôsharaḥ sa-jala-sthalaḥ 5
38	Śrâvastî-mandanê(lê) Kâsîllî-bhaṭṭagrâma-vinirggatâya Kôsalê Dê-
39	vîbhôga-vî(vi)shayîya-Sîngôâ-grâma-vâstavyâya Kausika-gôtrâ-
40	ya 6 Viśvâmitra-Dêvarâta-Audalya(la)-pravarâya Kauthuma-charaṇâya Chchhandô-
41	ga-śakh-âdhy[a*]yinê bhaṭṭa-Parameśvara-pautrâya bhaṭṭa-Vasishṭha-sutâya [*
42	râṇaka-śrî-Râchchhô-nâmnê sûrya-grahaṇê salila-dhârâ-pur-ḥsaram- â-cha -
4 3	ndra-târak-ârka-kshiti-sha(sa)makâl-ôpabhôg-ârtha[m*] mâtâpitrôr=âtmanaś=cha
44	puṇya-yaśô-bhivṛiddhayê tâmra-śâsa[nê*]n=âkarîkṛitya pratipâdî(di)ta îyêga-
45	tya ⁸ samuchita-kara-nikara-bhôga-bhâg-âdî(di)kam=upanayadbhiḥ su-
4 6	khêna prativastavyam=iki(ti) [*] bhâvibhiś=cha bhûpatibhiḥ dattir=iyam=a-
47	smadîyâ dharmma-gauravâd=asmad-anurôdhâch=cha sva-dattî(tti)r=î(i)v=ânupâlanî-
4 8	y[â*] Tathâ ch=ôktam dharmma-sâstrê Va(ba)hubhir9=vasudhâ dattâ râjabhiḥ Saga-
49	r-âdibhiḥ yasya yasya yadâ bhûmis=tasya tasya tadâ phalam Mâ bhûd=a-
50	phala-śańkhâ(ńkâ) •vaḥ para-datt=êtê(ti) pârthivâḥ sva-dattât=phalam=ananta[ṁ*] para-da-
51	tt-ânupâlanê Shasht[i*]m varsha-sahasrâni svargê môdati bhûmi-dah () â-
52	kshêptâ ch=ânumantâ cha dvau tau naraka-gâminau Agnêr ¹⁰ =apatyam prathamam
5 3	suvarnnam bhûr=Vaishnavî sûrya-sutâś=cha gâvaḥ yaḥ kâñchana[m*] gâna(ñ=cha) mahîñ=cha

- lôkê(kâh) || Âsphôtayanti¹¹ 54 dadyâd=dattâs=trayas=têna bhavanti pitarô

Third Plate.

- 55 lgayanti pitâmahâh bhûmi-dâtâ kulê jâtah nas=tr[â]t[â] 88 [bha]vi[shya]-56 ti | [Bhû]mi[m] yah pratigrihnâti yaś=cha bhûmi[m] prayachchha[ti ubhau tau puṇya-karmaṇau]
- Tadagan[am] sahasrêna va[japêya]-sa[têna cha] niyata[m] svarga-gâmin[au] || gavâm kôti-pradânêna bhûmi-harttâ na sudhyatê |(||) Harastê hâ]rayêd=yas=tu
- 59 manda-vu(bu)ddhis=tamô-vritah sha(su)-va(ba)ddhô vâruṇaih pâśais=ti[r]yagyôni[ia] sa ga-

¹ Read vishayiya-Gauda°; omitting the mark of punctuation.

³ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

⁴ This word, standing alone as it does, is meaningless.

⁵ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

⁶ This mark of punctuation, again, is unnecessary.

⁷ This mark of punctuation, also, is unnecessary.

Metre: Ślôka (Anushtubh); and in the next two verses.

¹¹ Metre : Ślôka (Anushtubh); and in the next five verses.

³ This mark of punctuation is unnecessary.

⁸ Read ity=avagatya.

¹⁶ Metre : Indravajrå.

- 60 chchhati |(||) Sva-dattâm=para-dattâm=vâ yô harêd=vasundharâm¹ sa vishṭhâyâ[ḿ] kṛi-
- 61 mir=bhûtvâ pitribhiḥ saha pachyatê |(||) Âdityô Varuṇô Vishṇur=Vra(bra)hmâ sômô
- 62 hutâsa(ŝa)naḥ Śûlapâṇiś=cha bhagavân=abhinandanti bhûmi-daṁ l(ll) S[â*]mânyô²=yəṁ dharmma-sêtu-
- 63 r=nṛipâṇâ[m*] kâlê-kâlê pâlanîyô bhavadbhiḥ | śa(sa)rvvân=êtân=bhâvinaḥ pârthivêndrân
- 64 bhûyô-bhûyô yâchatê Râmabhadrah |(||) Iti³ kamala-dal-âm[b*]u-vi(bi)ndu-lôlâm śrî(śri)ya-
- 65 m=anuchintya manushya-jîvita[m*] cha sakalam=idam=udâhṛitam cha vudvâ⁴ na hi pu-
- 66 rushaiḥ para-kîrttayô vilôpyâḥ |(||) Yên⁵=âtyanta-sur-âsur-âdhipa-guru[ḥ*] prajñ-âbhimânai-
- 67 [r*]=jitô râjñ=ârôpita-râjya-bhâram=atula[m*] yaś=ch=âvahal=lîlayâ | yasy=âsîn= [n*]aya-vikra-
- 68 ma-dvayam=api prêyâ[n*] sakhâ sarvvadâ sa śrêyân dhṛita-san[dh*]i-vigraha-padaḥ śrî-Si-
- 69 **ngadattah** kritî |(||) Nâmnâ⁶ Mangaladattêna kâyasthêna sa — alêkhi sâsanam —
- 70 sam yâvach=chandr-ârka-târakâḥ || Paramamâhêśvara-paramabhat[t*]âraka-mahâ-râjâdhirâja-
- 71 paramêśvara-Sômakulatilaka-triKalingâdhipati-śrî-Bhîmarathadêvasya pra
- 72 varddhamâna-vijaya-râjyê triti⁷-samvatsarê Mârgasîrshamâsîya-sukla-paksh[ê*] tithau trit[î*]-
- 73 yayam yatr=anken=api samvat 3 Marga śudi 3h8 || Vijnani-Madhu-ma[llê]na utkaritam9 [||*]

ABSTRACT OF CONTENTS.

The record opens with a description of the charms and delights of a town named Yayâtinagara (line 12), on the Mahânadî (l. 10),—using the four verses which in E. are applied to Vinîtapura. Then, in five more verses, of which three occur in E., it mentions a king named Janamêjaya (l. 14),—his son Yayâti (l. 17),—and the latter's son Bhîmaratha (1. 24). Then it continues: - From the town of Yayatinagara (1. 12), the most devout worshipper of (the god) Mahêsvara, the Paramabhattâraka, the Mahârâjâdhirdja, the Paramêsvara, the ornament of the Sômakula, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Mahâ-Bhavaguptarâjadêva (II.) (1.31), who meditates on the feet of the most devont worshipper of (the god) Mahêsvara, the Paramabhattaraka, the Maharajadhiraja, the Paramesvara, the ornament of the Sômakula, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Mahâ-Sivaguptarajadeva (l. 28-29), being in good health (l. 31), and having done worship to the Brâhmans of the district at the village of Gaudasiminilligrams in the Kôsala-Sakhangadyanha vishaya (l. 31-32), issues a command to all the officials and servants of the king, to the effect that the village in question has been given by him, by this charter, on the occasion of an eclipse of the sun (l. 42), to the Rânaka Râchchhô (l. 42), son of the Bhatta Vasishtha and son's son of the Bhatta Paramêsvara, an immigrant from the bhatta-village

¹ Read harêta vasundharâm.

[·] Read buddhvá.

[?] Read tritiya.

Metre : Śalinî.

Metre : Śârdúlavikridita.

i.e. trittyak.

³ Metre : Pushpitagra.

⁶ Metre: Śloka (Anushtubh).

Bead utkirnam.

of Kâsîllî in the Śrâvastî maṇḍala (l. 38), a resident of Sîngôagrâma in the Dêvîbhôga vishaya in Kôsala (ll. 38-39), belonging to the Kausika gôtra, with the pravara of Visvâmitra, Dêvarâta, and Audala, and a student of the Chhandôga śâkhâ.

Lines 44 to 66 are occupied with the usual mandate to future kings to continue the grant and with benedictive and imprecatory verses.

Lines 66 to 69 praise a minister of the king, named Singadatta, holding the office of Samdhivigrahin,— and, in doing so, use the verse which in E. is applied in the case of Chhichchhatésa.

A verse in lines 69 and 70 tells us that the charter was written by the Käyastha Mangaladatta.

And lines 70 to the end give the date of the third tithi in the bright fortnight of the month Marga or Margasirsha in the third year of the victorious reign of the most devont worshipper of (the god) Mahêsvara, the Paramabhaṭṭāraka, the Mahārājādhirāja, the Parameśwara, the ornament of the Sômakula, the lord of the three Kalingas, the glorious Bhimarathadêva.

No. 48.- KANCHI INSCRIPTION OF VIKRAMADITYA.

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In editing the Kûram plates of the Pallava king Paramêévaravarman I., I noticed a Kanarese inscription in the Kailâsanâtha temple at Conjeeveram, which proves that a king Vikramâditya, who is shown by his surnames to belong to the Western Chalukya dynasty, captured Kâñchî and visited the temple. I now edit this record from excellent inked estampages, recently prepared by my Tamil Assistant, Mr. T. P. Krishnasvami Sastri, M.A.

As stated in my former notice, the inscription is engraved on the back of a pillar of the mandapa in front of the Rajasimheśvara shrine, and nearly touches the east wall of another mandapa which, at a later time, has been erected between the shrine and the front mandapa. This circumstance makes it impossible to read the inscription from the stone and renders the preparation of good estampages a work of some difficulty. The alphabet of the inscription is Old-Kanarese; and the language is Kanarese prose, with the exception of the concluding sentence, which is half Sanskrit and half Kanarese.

The inscription records that, after his conquest of Kanchi, Vikramaditya-Satyaśraya did not confiscate the property of the Rajasimhasvara temple, but returned it to the god. It ends with an imprecation, and with the names of the writer and of another official who superintended him.

In the inscriptions of the Western Chalukyas of Bâdâmi, both Vikramâditya I. and Vikramâditya II. are stated to have taken Kânchî,—the former from Îśvarapôtarâja, i.e. the Pallava king Paramêśvaravarman I.,³ and the latter from Nandipôtavarman. Though the subjoined inscription is not dated and might thus belong to the reign of either of the two Vikramâdityas, it may be assigned with great probability to Vikramâditya II., because the Wokkalêri plates explicitly state that the latter, after his conquest of Kânchî, made gifts to the Râjasimhêśvara temple.⁴

¹ South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol. I. p. 147.

² According to Mr. Kittel's Dictionery, Kanchi is a Kanarese tadbhava of Kanchi (Conjeeveram). It occurs also in a Kanarese inscription of Govinda III.; Ind. Ant. Vol. XI. p. 127.

^{*} See South-Indian Inscriptions, Vol I. p. 145.

⁴ ibid. p. 146.

TEXT. 1

1	Svasti	[*]	V	ikramâd	l[it]ya-Satyâ	śraya- Śr[î]-
2	³ Prit	huvi.	alla	bha-	Mahârâ	jâdhi-
3	râja-Par	amêśvara-Bh	ttårar			Ka-
4	ñchiyân	=koṇḍu			Rájasi[m]ghêśvara-
5	da,	dhanama	in=kaṇḍu		magu <u>l</u> du	dêva-
6	rgge	biṭṭâr	[1*]	Intu	biţţa	bhatarara ³
7	dharmma	ada.	sthitiyu	[m*]	îy=ak	sharangalu-
8	mân=a <u>l</u> iv	vâr=îy=ûrâ		ghatig	gey â	mahâ-
9	janam a n	=kondâra	lôkakk	e	sandâr=appâr	[11*]
10	Niravad	ya-śrîmad	-A[ni]	vârit	apuņyav	allabhê-
11	na lik	hitam=i[dam] Valla	bhadurj	jayar= adhikâ	radi[m *]

TRANSLATION.

- (Line 1.) Hail! Vikramâditya-Satyâśraya, the favourite of Fortune and of the Earth, the Mahârâjâdhirâja Paramêśvara Bhaṭṭâra, having captured Kañchi (and) having inspected the riches (belonging) to (the temple of) Râjasiṅghêśvara (i.e. Râjasiṅhêśvara), gave (them) again to the god.
- (L. 6.) Those who destroy these letters and the stability of the king's charity which was thus given, shall enter the world of those who have killed the men of the assembly (?)⁴ of this city.
- (L. 10.) This (edict was) written by the blameless and illustrious Anivaritapunyavallabha under the authority of Vallabhadurjaya.

¹ From inked estampages, prepared by Mr. T. P. Krishnasvami Sastri, M.A.

² Read Prithivi. ³ Read bhattarara.

⁴ The Kanarese term ghatige (ghatika in Sanskrit) possibly corresponds to the sabhai (sabha in Sanskrit) of Tamil inscriptions.



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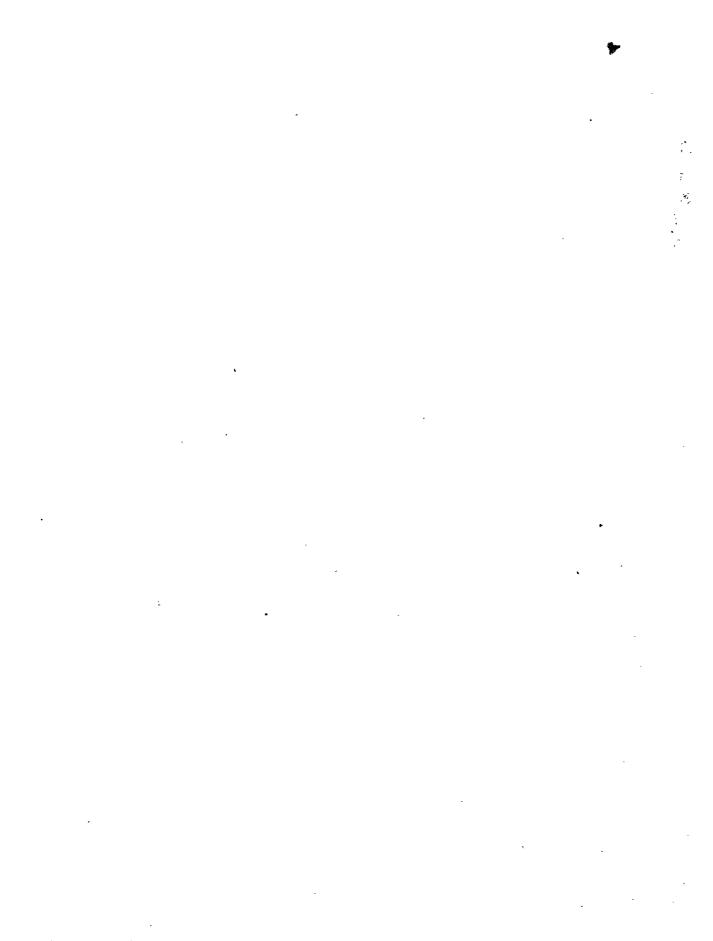
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